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The tirst stage of the Carring-ton plan as proposed would involve: reducing EEC embassy staffs in Teheran and/or re-calling ambassadors: reducing the number of Lranian diplo-mats in EEC capitals; a formal ban on arms sales to Iran and on purchase of oil from Iran; the introduction of visas for Iranians visiting Europe and thecellation of service contracts.

During this first phase the measures needed for the imposition of a trade embargo (with the exception of food and medical supplies) and for other economic sanctions, such as restrictions on loans and credits, would also be prepared. But their implementation would be delayed to give the Iranians time to respond to the first stage.

British sources emphasized that their proposal was not immutable. If a way could be found, acceptable to other member states, of using EEC law to proceed to trade sanctions immediately without the need for national législation, Britain would be happy to take that course.

for the release of hostages dur-ing the first stage, for which an expiry date of May 15 was being suggested in the corri-dors tonight. But it was suggested that the transfer of the hostages from the custody of the students to that of the Iranian Government might be enough to warrant delaying the imposition of trade sanctions.

£386m profit

Record sales and profit figures were announced by Ford, showing that the company remains the only highly profitable mass car manufacturer in Britain. Profits for 1979 soared by 60 per cent to £386m while sales were 35 per cent higher at £3,193m, the first time Ford has topped the £3,000m mark and reflecting record vehicle sales of £34,000 compared with a previous peak of 712,000 units Loss producting through industrial

712,000 units. Lost production through industrial disputes dropped to only 1,000 working days in 1979 against an average of 31,000 days during the four years to 1978

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mean changes in AUEW

Control of the rank and file policy-making national committee of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers has been recaptured by the right-wing faction. That could lead to controversial changes being forced through when the union's rules revision committee holds its five-yearly meeting next month

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About 9,000 prisoners are to be released from Zimbabwe jails as part of an amnesty to mark independence. Among those being freed are all people convicted of stock theft. Mr Mugabe,

the Prime Minister, however, condemned recent acts of violence that had marred last week's independence celebration Page 8

Right-wing victory may

Zimbabwe jail amnesty

Bread prices to

Bread prices will rise next week by 2!p for a large white loaf and 1!p for a small loaf. Manufacturers blamed the increase on higher flour prices.

The rise is the first this year

Journalists quit

The National Union of Jour-

nalists decided at its annual conference to withdraw from

the Press Council, the body it helped to set up to deal with

complaints against newspapers by the public Page 2

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THE TIMES

Graveyard meeting: Mrs Barbara Timm yesterday met Iranian women at the Behesht-e-Zehra cemetery in Tehran where Iranians who were killed in the revolution are buried. She was taken there by students before being reunited with her son, Marine sergeant Kevin Hermening who, at 20, is the youngest of the host-ages being held in the American embassy. She spent about six hours in the embassy compound and although her husband, Sergeant Hermening's stepfather, was also allowed in. it was not immediately clear if he also met him. The

students occupying the embassy had said

only Mrs Timm would be allowed to

The reunion took place after President Bani-Sadr made a public plea for the visit to take place. Students contacted the couple from Oak Creek, Wisconsin, who arrived in Iran on Saturday in defiance of a ban by President Carter. Serjeant Hermening was brought to

block of flats forming the northern wall of the compound, accompanied by two students. Then Mrs Timm was taken in, accompanied by two girls wearing the traditional Iranian black veil. Students said later that she spent only an bour with her son

Mr and Mrs Timm are the first parents of a hostage to visit Iran since the embassy three other women was stormed last November. They were among the hostages.

granted 15-day visas by the Iranian embassy in Paris. Their arrival comes after a visit last week by Red Cross officials who saw all the hostages. Another American who has defied the Washington ban on travel to Iran is Mr Dick Gregory, the comedian, who arrived this week. It is not known whether he will be meeting the students or their hostages during his

UNIVERSITY OF ISEDAM

defeated

By Clifford Webb Midlands Industrial Correspondent

But the transport union is still smarting under what many

of its officials and members

consider to be the desertion of other unions in the face of determined action by Sir

That resentment has been

increased by the statement of Mr Mosvn Evans, TGWU general secretary, that his

union would still support any

members who rejected last Wednesday's peace settlement, which was drawn up by 11

manual unions and the manage-

Sixty transport union conveners and senior stewards from BL factories met at the union's Midland headquarters

in West Bromwich resterday under the chairmanshin of Mr

Brian Mathers, the regional sec-

condemning the settlement as

his please of support if there was a breakdown.

other unions they voted to withdraw the transport union's

regional automotive group from the Confederation of Shipbuild

ing and Engineering Unions'

five, which comprises the 10 Midland counties. It has not functioned for the past seven

information for the National Cars Council fostered by Mr

Jack Jones, the transport

The main surprise yesterday

was the almost unanimous vote

for a return to work by 7,000

employees at Rover Solihull. More than half of them, Land-

Rover and Range Rover

leaders made the strike official.

About 40 shop stewards met before the mass meeting and

soted by 395 to 5 to reject the

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back

Mrs Louisa Kennedy, wife of one of the hostages, is calling on Mrs Thatcher on Thursday to ask for the Prime Minister's support in helping secure the release of the hostages. Mrs Kennedy will be with three other women who have relatives

Student riots shake base of Khomeini rule

From Tony Allaway
Ayatollah Khomeini tonight
demanded that: leftist groups
assisting an "Islamic stop resisting an "Islamic purge" in the universities. After a day of heavy fighting around the central Tehran,

university campus, the Ayatollah said: "If some groups continue their resistance I will pronounce my last word [on the subject]. I hope the universities will be cleansed of all kinds of connextion with the West or East." The Ayatollah accused the leftists of serving the interests

Ideally, the EEC would hope, of the West in a speech delivered to a group of Islamic students, who had staged a protest march through the city to his home.

firm after his message had been broadcast by the state radio. Fresh violence was reported in colleges in the southern city of Shiraz today and reports said

Rail crash: Broken axle caused Rail Crash. Bloom 100 mph derailment of Advanced Passenger Train in last week 2

University pay: Dons angry over Clegg commission state-ment that it will not report on their salaries before summer

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and national authems at Olympic Games to "get rid of nationalistic spirit". 9

Afghanistan: A leader of the

resistance movement is to visit Britain but his adviser and translator is refused a visa. 10

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nineteenth-century Scottish art; William Mann on Andre Previn's

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next year

Tonight is the deadline for a Revolutionary Council order that all groups must remove their offices from universities and higher education com-plexes. But the fighting at Tehran university today went much beyond that, bringing into question the future of Iran's

After two days of skirmishes today's fighting began in earn-est at lunchtime with an attack hv street gangs of Muslim Hesbollahis, members of the so-called Party of God, on the headquarters of the Pishgam (vanguard) leftist student movement in a University building across the street from the main

Government.

EEC undecided over

British budget relief

Two children killed

Haitians flee drought

The amount and duration of EEC financial relief to Britain has been left undecided after a meeting of European finance ministers. But it

was agreed that a final solution should be a combination of extra EEC expenditure in Britain

with a reimbursement. Sir Geoffrey Howe expressed confidence that the means of achieving a solution to the British budgetary problem had

Two children were killed and 15 injured when a lorry was in collision with a school bus outside

the Moston Brook High School in Manchester.

Firemen cut free the injured from the wreckage and eight children were detained in hospital where one was reported critically ill Page 2

Starvation is forcing many Haitians to attempt illegal landings in Florida. Drought has ruined the pea crop which provides earnings for many people in the north-west of the island. They receive virtually no relief and look to the United

States for job prospects and money for food Page 9

When police raided a London brothel they found 50 men, including a member of the House of and its an MP, accountants, solicitors and barris.— all mainly middle aged. A woman previously convicted for brothel-keeping was jailed for 18 months, fined £1,950 and ordered to pay £2,000 costs

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Peer and MP in brothel

The attack was repelled by ranks appeared to be holding leftist sympathizers staging a sit in in the street outside. The leftist youths then launched a counter-attack which succeeded in taking over the entire uni-

Pishgam spportrs formed a human chain around their headquarters with an opening where high metal fencing along the university wall had been torn

down.
From here leftist youths restocked themselves with the rocks that formed the main battle weapon. In the afternoon the Hestollahis aacked brough h main university gate. Rvolu-tionary Guards, their cover of impartiality stripped, fired tear gas and volleys of machinegun fire in the air as cover.

A constant stream of wounded, some with glaring gashes in their heads, were being helped inside. The wea-pons range from large sticks and wooden clubs to metal sp.kes and bayonets. in the main street I witnessed

typical example of the riolence that has marked the fighting.
Hesbollahis shouting "Death

ist sympathizer. The man was beaten about the face and body by esveral of the attackers, then passed on to a Revolutionary. Guard, who kneed him in the groin, then smashed his face against the side of a jeeb he-

fore dropping him unconscious The involvement of the Revolutionary Guards in this manner is an undoubted embarrasment to President Abolhas-san Bani-Sadr. The President is said by in-

They will also press formed sources to be in far bigger representation on BL Cars' joint negotiating commitmore serious straits. He has tried to avoid the conflict at tee, which is to be reorganized under the terms of the settle-Tehran university. But he is ment. Finaly, to strengthen the Midland motor companies, they are to reestablish the transport union's Cars Council for region

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said to have explained to con-fidants that he is locked in a losing bards with Ayatollah Muhammad Beheshti leader of the Islamic Republican Party. The violence and the takeover of campus after campus have shown the Revolutionary Coun-

Mrs Thatcher hints at more union laws

By George Clark Political Correspondent Those Conservative back

benchers who were looking to the Prime Minister's speech in Birmingham last night for some indication that the Government was prepared to take legislative action to make strike ballots compulsory, were disappointed. On the eye of the Commons debate on Conservative amendments to the Employment Bill which would provide for such ballots to be held if 15 per cent of the workforce demands them. Mrs Margaret Thatcher merely made a reference to the Government's work to redress the balance of power in.

"By the summer," she said,
"the very wide legal immunities now available for picketing and blacking will have been narrowed. Our review of trade union immunities in general will continue, and if necessary

we will legislate further." The Government was also legislating to reduce social security benefits for strikers' families, she said, but she made no reference to the demand for compulsory ballots.

Mrs Thatcher concentrated more on the need for higher productivity and for manage-

ments to give leadership by ex-plaining their companies' posi-

tion "so that each worker is aware of the consequences of workers, were among the first to take strike action. It was his own actions". I know that many of you largely because of their pressure that transport union

are happier doing, rather than talking", she told industrialists of the Birmingham Chamber of Industry and Commerce. "But if you do not speak out, you leave a vacuum to be filled by others only too happy to exploit it." Government had a crucial

role in creating the climate in which business could succeed. when we have got part right, success or failure will still depend on how you perform in a competitive world", the Prime Minister emphasized.

"And here, the nub is productivity. Unless productivity improves substantially, nothing else will help, neither a reduc-tion in Government expenditure, nor assistance of one sort or another, nor export credit, nor lower interest rates.

"Nor even a lower exchange rate, even if we were able to engineer it, which we are not.
Productivity is 'nine points of
the law' and our wage levels
must be related to it." She wondered just how many of those who worked in indus-

try fully understood this. If not, Continued on page 2, col 7

Price stability is crucial, **Bank Governor says**

By David Blake Economics Editor

A strong defence of the use of monetary policy to curb inflation came yesterday from the Governor of the Bank of Eng-land. Mr Gordon Richardson told the House of Commons select committee on the Treas-ury and the Civil Service that a move back to price stability was "absolutely crucial." He added: "Nothing could lead to fast output better than to cut inflation."

inflation."
Mr Richardson demed that there was a choice between the Government's policies and others which would lead to faster output, growth and lower unemployment. To attempt to weaken the fight against in-flation would force policies to be adopted which would lead to even higher unemployment at a later date.

He conceded that the links between restraint on the money supply and a reduction in inflation took time to operate. It was a medium term rather than a abort term policy, he said, agreeing with remarks over the weekend by Mr John Biffen, Chief Secretary to the Treasury, that there was no "mechanis tic " link between money supply

and inflation.

Mr Richardson said that the continuing to adopt restrained monetary policies was strength-ened by the fact that they were eing followed in other coun

Governor called everyone to recognize that monetary policy required a slowdown in the rate of wage increases which would greatly benefit prospects for outpur and employment. Everyone should also take note of the authorities' determination to stand by monetary targets, he said, arguing that suggestions that manufacturing pay may be rising less quickly than in other sectors could be a first sign that the message was getting

A high exchange rate was one of the routes by which monetary policy could help to fight inflation, he said, warning against any sharp drop, in interest rates which would lead to a breach of monetary guide-

lines.
Mr Richardson's remarks were made during questioning by the committee on prospects for the corporate sector of the economy. The Governor said that businesses faced a difficult 12 to 18 months.



trish soldiers bearing the body of their comrade.

Lebanon war comes home to Ireland

From Robert Fisk Middle East Correspondent Galway, April 21

They placed Private Stephen Griffin's pale blue United Nations heret on top of his coffin, and it lay there in the pale sunshine nutside St Joseph's Church this morning. the only visible reminder that the war in Lebanon could have its international repercussions even in the far west of Ireland.

The Irish Army had per-formed its own last rites, of course, bearing the dead man's body through the streets of Galway on a gun carriage and creating that dispified but ponderous departure that all armies soldiers. choose for

Given the circumstances of Private Griffin's death, it was a remarkably mild ceremony. A colleague of the dead man from the Irish Army's First Field Engineer Company read one of St Paul's epistles about forgiveness, and a priest cole-brating Mass asked the concrebrating Mass asked the concre-gation to pray for the soldiers serving the cause of peace in Lebanon. He added slowly: "Lord help them and strengthen their great resolu-tions" although given the vague United Nations mandage there such resolutions must be difficult to define difficult to define.

St Joseph's is surrounded by little houses and there are thatched cottages on the road to the cemetery above the Atlantic. It seemed not just 3,000 miles but a world away from the story bills around the village of Al-Tiri in southern village of Al-Tiri in southern Lebanon, where Private Griffin was shot in the bend by a Lebanese Christian militiaman two weeks ago. Only an additional prayer—for the souts of the two Irish soldiers murdered in Lebanon on Friday—prompted some of the older men to shake their heads. If the Irish soldiers at the If the frish soldiers at the church entrance were angry at what had happened, they were loath to voucasafe their leelings in public, although one young officer told a colleague that he hoped the Israelis had not been "insensitive enough to send a wreath". Indeed, there was no such wreath.

Mrs Griffin, bespectacled with a black veil over her face, Continued on page 8, col 6

President Tito 'in imminent danger'

Belgrade, April 21.—Me:sages expressing profound anxiety are pouring into Liubijana liospital after the latest, and most ominous, bulletin on President Tito's condition.

The bulletin reports that the 87-year-old President's ailments are not responding to treatment and his life is in imminent danger.

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HOME NEWS.

Right wing recovers control of AUEW policy making and may force controversial changes

Labour Reporter

Blackpool The right-wing faction of the Amalgamated Union of Engineering Workers has recapured control of the union's rink and file policy-making national committee.

That became clear yesterday when right wingers defeated the alliance of Labour left wingers 23 to win all five seats on the cussion on hours before 1983. key standing orders committee. By virtue of the rigid, two-party system prevailing in the union, the moderate majority

of rix is likely to be repeated when the rank and file committee consider all the main issues before them, including wages, and constitutional questions facing the Labour

The shift to the right also increases the confidence of the enecutive, which is already entirely in moderate hands, that it will be able to force through controversial rule changes when the52 delegates reconstitute themselves next month as the rule revision committee, which holds its five-yearly meeting in closed session next month.

Although there has been a rightward trend in the national committee over the past five years, that was checked last year when the committee tied 26—25 throughout its annual meeting and, when recalled to discuss wages, narrowly backed

Steel unions

Government has been to shelve British Steel

Corporation plans to cut steel-

making capacity and moke 50,000 employees redundant so that a new chairman for the industry can make a fresh start in the aftermath of the long and

The plea was sent last night to Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Industry, by leaders

of the two main unions involved

the National Union of Blast-furnacemen. They also called for an inquiry into the manage-

ment of state steel.

Mr William Sirs, general secretary of the ISTC said:
"We want a moratorium of at

least a aver in which we can plan together. If it happens it

will be a tremendous new boost

for the chairman.
"It will cost him nothing; but he will get our cooperation and goodwill."

Steel, widely rumoured to be

Mr Ian MacGregor, a Scots industrialist and a former presi-cent of AMAX, the United States metals firm. Sir Charles

Villiers, the present chairman of BSC, retires in September. The letter, signed by Mr Sirs

and Mr Hector Smith, the Blastfurnacemen's leader calls

for an inquiry into the overall

management of British Steel "We are making this request

because of the deteriorating position of the steel industry

under the present style of

the dispute, the Iron and Stuel Trades Confederation and

plead for a

fresh start

From Our Labour Editor

bitter strike.

of the annual claim.

This year, however, militant resolutions seeking to tie negotiators to a wages figure and defeat attempts to reopen the working hours clause in the agreement which followed last year's national engineering dispute; that gave a 39-hour week from November, 1981, but precluded further dis-

Mr Terence Duffy, the union's president gave a warning yes-teerday that on the broader front: "I fear there is more industrial strife to come if this Government continues on its present course ".

The present administration was "the most doctrinaire and reactionary since the 1930s ". Unemployment resulting

directly fro mthe Government's economic policies was, Mr Duffy said, "undoubtedly one of the major causes of vandalism and unrest among the youth

of our nation".

Mr Duffy, referring to both economic policies and the Employment Eill, told reporters later: "The hawks in the Government are looking for a confrontation with the trade unions. They feel that the electorate will be more satisfied if they go into open conflict with us, but they are sadly misled." Among the proposals for change of rules are the experi-

From Paul Routledge

More than 500,000 white-

collar civil servants are being

urged to follow the advice of the TUC and take a day off on

May 14 in protest against government policies.

The call for politically inspired disruption will go out

today from six unions after

secret joint talks aimed at securing the widest backing for the TUC's day of action.

An agreed form of words says: "Our members are urged

to register a protest about government policies in relation

to the Civil Service and general public sector policies by not

attending for work on May 14.

This will be considered as official industrial action by

The unions involved are: the Civil and Public Services Asso-ciation, the Society of Civil and

Mr Campbell Christie, deputy

general secretary of the Society of Civil and Public

Servants, said last night that

larly badly affected by govern-

ment job cuts and by the system of cash limits which

interfered with pay bargaining.

"It is important therefore that

all civil servants support the

call for May 14 to ensure a

The unions announcement

comes on the eve of a review

of the preparations for the day

of action by the TUC General

massive protest", he said.

Public Servants, the Civil Serthe last Tory C vice Union, the Inland to introduce Revenue Staff Federation, the Relations Act.

civil servants had been particu- being planned

each union."

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IMPORTANT BRITISH

PAINTINGS

To be held on Wednesday 9th July, 1980

Labour Editor

500,000 civil servants

called out on May 14

a left-wing resolution calling ted full-time branch secretaries for industrial action in support in some areas and for the of the annual claim.

Labour Party and TUC delegathe tions to be elected by an exexecutive can expect to defeat panded national committee instead of by branch ballot, as at

> The latter change is contingent on planned mergers between the union's overwhelmingly dominant engineering section, the AUEW construction and foundry sections and the National Union of Sheet Metal Workers, Coppersmiths and Heating and Domestic En-

The leadership is still hoping that balloting of the three smaller unions will take place in time to effect a transfer of engagements before July 1 to coincide with the union's sixtieth anniversary.

But because of the complexity of discussions on the transfer and on its impact on the left-wing Technical, Administrative and Supervisory Section of the AUEW, which have involved lawyers and the official certi-fication officer. fication officer. Mr John Edwards, a delay seems certain

In his presidential address vesterday Mr Duffy emphasized the union's desire to merge with other skilled engineering unions and said that when plans were completed the union hoped to reopen merger talks with the Electrical Electronic with the Electrical Electronic Telecommunication and Plumb mental introduction of appoin- ing Union.

last before May 14.

Union leaders tomorrow will

assess responses to the call for widespread industrial action in

protest at government policies

Since the call went out several important unions have

publicly pledged support. There will be no trains on May 14 and

bus services are also expected

to be suspended. National news-

papers will not appear that day.

The level of trade union hostility to the Government was

reemphasized vesterday at the

opening of the Scottish Trades Union Congress in Perth. Mr

William Duggau, of the Boiler makers' Society, said in his presidential address: "There

can seldom have been a govern-

ment as pigheaded as this one.

"But this Government is not

just attacking our manufactur-ing industry. The so-called Employment Bill represents the

most serious attack on funda-mental trade union rights since

the last Tory Government tried to introduce its Industrial

Service Department, today to

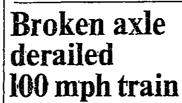
over the further cuts in man-

power that they believe are

The unions believe that the

Government is going to propose cuts in manpower of about 3

the protest at not being consulted



Two children killed: Helpers attending

to children outside Moston Brook High

School, Manchester, yesterday, after a

lorry was in collision with a school bus. Two children were killed, 15 injured

and five women canteen assistants

were taken to hospital suffering from

shock. Police said that eight of the

By Michael Baily Transport Correspondent

A broken axle caused the 100 mph derailment of the Advanced Passenger Train near Carnforth. Laucashire, last

But it is too early to say what caused the axle failure, and to what extent the incident will delay entry of the train into passenger service between London and Glasgow scheduled

Two wheels left the track when the tubular axle between them failed, it has been established, but whether that failure Flynn, of West Belfast will was caused by a defective com- appear in Belfast Magistrates' ponent, or human error in maintenance, has yet to be established by British Rail's re-

search engineers at Derby.

The possibility of a design 17.
fault, which would be a serious setback at this late stage of bo development of the vehicle, re-

Sinn Fein ordered to quit house and a schoolboy, aged 17 were
also killed.

The IRA said the bomb went
off prematurely.

He was launching a report
which said the cross-border
electricity connector between From Christopher Thomas

injured children were detained in hos-

pital. A witness said the lorry swerved

and hit railings outside the school after the crash. The children had just got off the school bus when the accident

occurred. A fleet of ambulances

arrived at the scene. Firemen were called to free the injured from the

Beifast

The High Court in Beifast vesterday granted an order to the housing executive for the recovery of a decrepit house in Falls Road used by the Provi-sional Sinn Fein.

Sin Fein was not represented at the hearing. It has 10 days to appeal but clearly has no intention of doing so.

The order for the recovery

of the premises, which have been occupied by Sinn Fein for six years, was given on the ground that the house is in a redevelopment area. The attempt to evict the group seems likely within a matter of weeks. Murder charge : Patrick Joseph

Court today charged with murder as a result of a bomb explosion on a train at Dunmurry near the city on January

Kerin Delaney, an IRA bomber, died in the blast A Nigerian who had been resident in Ulster for many years.

electricity connector between Ulster and the Irish Republic could save the electricity authorities in Northern Ireland cearly £3m a year.

The interconnector was blown up by the Provisional IRA five years ago. In a statement issued in response to a new agreement by the Irish and British governments to re-establish the link, which would allow the republic to purchase much needed elec-tricity, the Provisionals said the British Army would need a battalion to prevent the pylons being blown up.

Sir Charles said the British gas and electricity boards had a remit confined to Britain. They were not keen to take on the additional responsibility of Ulster; but as part of the United Kingdom, Northern Ireland expected to share the

He added: "The fact that

way the council operated.

The decision was foll immediately by a threar group of Freet Street jo lists to defy the union at seek representation on wreckage. The dead children were Lee Johnson, aged 13, of Lime Grove, Old Trafford, and Peter Claypole, aged 12, of Pinehurst Road, Miles Platting. Peter's twin brother, Mark, was criti-

cally ill in hospital. Lee's father, Mr.

Ronald Johnson, is catering manager at

sometimes, it seems not quite to do so."

the chairman, wrote to Sir Richard Lawson, the GOC: "We wish to record to you out considerable anxiety that care

lessness in relation to the regu-

tended in the speeches by yourself and the chief

known too much suffering, as well as the lives of soldiers, so many of whose young lives have been brutally cut short

in our Northern Ireland con-

Such a tragic deterioration would endanger the lives of a civilian population that has

constable:

the Old Trafford cricket ground.

seek representation on council. Mr David Ross, a learn of the union's Nat Newspapers, and Age Industrial Council and Age Industrial Council and Age Pleer Street journalists opposed to withdrawal from council.

In this way we shall is and effectively overturn decision made by an unresentative annual delegate ring from which many of mormal number of delegate rectuded by a proces motion." Mr Ross said. motion." Mr Ross said. Mr Ross was referring to fact that 49 branches of union were barred from a ing delegates to the confer

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ing delegates to the confer because their members' scriptions arears amounte more than 10 per cent of branches' total subscription head office.

Mr Ross said that he belithe Press Council would maderatading to approach by the Fleer St Army rules: The Peace People have asked the Army to re-consider the rules under which soldiers are allowed to open-fire. Miss Mairead Corrigan, miderstanding to approach by the Fleet Si journalists. A move by London Central branch, w mainly represents Fleet St to put off the decision to to draw for a year was defe Delegates proposing that acknowledged the 1 of redress against disto lations governing shooting by soldiers might set back the process of demilitarization por-

through an extension of union's code of conduct through cooperation with o unions on such bodies as Campaign for Press Freedo There was also unanin support at the conference an emergency motion pleds resistance to any moves politicoans or parties to "in fere in the coverage of

Transplant donor's mother 'did not hesitate',

By Our Health Services

Correspondent Mr David Williams. Britain's sixteenth heart transplant patient, who was given a new heart at Papworth Hospital, The letter, sent by hand to:
Institution of Professional Civil Servants, and the Association of Government Superabout the Government's choice about the Government's choice about the Government's choice about the Government's choice about the Government's and Radio Operators.

Revenue Statt regeration, the Institution of Professional Civil Servants, and the Association of Civil Servants, and the Association of Government Superabout the Government's choice and groups of State at the Civil Sultant obstetrician and groups of State a

sultant obstetrician and gynae-cologist at St Bartholomew's Hospital, London, was said to be making satisfactory progress.

The heart came from Mr joiner from Nottingham, who

per cent over two or three years, which would be the His mother, Mrs Marlene equivalent of up to 20,000 jobs. Richardson, a widow, said yes-That reduction would be in addition to the 39,000 job losses terday that she had agreed immediately to a transplant "There was no hesitation at

could have saved him I would have jumped at it. I did not see why I should not do it for someone else."

Mr Richardson died in the

Queen's Medical Centre, Notwhether she would allow his last night. heart to be used.

Mrs Richardson, who works in the laundry department of St Francis Hospital, Notting-Paul Richardson, aged 19, a ham, and has four other children, said she hoped that what was killed in an accident with she did would persuade others; a car as he cycled to work last to do the same.

Dr Weston said he first suggested the removal of Paul's kidneys for use in a possible

transplant. came for his heart to be used. all on my part. If there had I went back to the mother and uncle and once again they

block bookings for 40 to 50 staff, City-based companies had

Mr Heseltine's information is criticized

By Our Political Correspondent "If Mr Michael Heseltine, the Secretary of State for the Environment, had run one of his many private companies in the way he runs his department, Cambridge. on Sunday, was tingham, and Mrs Richardson the fraud squad would have able to get out of hed for lunch was asked by Dr Peter Weston, been called in ", Mr Roy Hatyesterday.

Mr Williams, aged 52, a con
mergencies at the hospital, the environment said at Tipton

Mr Hattersley accused Mr Heseltine of "wifully and per-sistently providing Parliament and public with misleading information about his housing

The minister presented the Government's proposals for council house building to the Commons in February in a way that made it impossible to judge their real consequence, he said.
"We now know that they mean a virtual end to all new council building during the next year. His claims about the financial advantages of the council. house sales have been dis-proved and disowned by one of the experts he quoted in evi-

Mrs Thatcher emphasizes vital role of productivity Continued from page 1. seems, to have gone und only management could bring ground. A generation of wo

"Ministers cannot Civil ser make them better off." vants cannot. The consequences of "You can; you are in touch were well known overmann with the work force, day int day rising costs, outdated industrial your You share the same problems of market share and fall

lems. But there are too many employees who do not know the problems of their own Many British companies were world beaters, and the Govern-

ment saluted their achieve-ments, she said. But British industry as a whole had not kept up with its competitors; 25 to inflict damage on employears ago our productivity was and the rest of the commutate highest in Western Europe, had made a bad situation to now it is one of the lowest.
"There was a time when Britain was the workshop of the world," Mrs Thatcher said. "The British worker was proud of it proud of his firm, and

proud of any innovation that kept Britain ahead. "Perhaps this spirit still sur-

S Wales: Dry, sunny periods; wind W moderate; max temp 13° to 15° C (55° to 59° F).

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rather cloudy but sonny intervals
developing in places; wind W
moderate; max temp 12° to 14°
C (54° to 57° F).

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occasional rain or drizzle; wind
W moderate or fresh; max temp

moderate or fresh; max temp or 10° C (48° to 50° F). Outlook for tomorrow and

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of Dover Wind N or NE, moderate locally fresh; sca

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ers has grown up in the be it home to them.

"I cannot, from London," that conflict, rule books, she declared.

Government intervention

profits. As wages took a big and bigger slice of compincome, there had been less formance and job prosp had suffered.

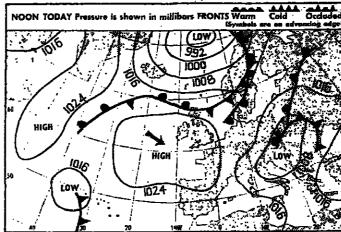
Changes in the law by Labour Government increa the power of the trade up

It was remarkable, in s of all this, that Britain no theless sold one-third of output abroad

"How many people res that this is a much higher sl than the Germans or Japanese?" she asked.

Leading article, pag

Weather forecast and recordings



Sun sets: 8.09 pm Sun rises : 5.50 am Moon sets : Moon rises : 2.46 am 12.01 pm First quarter: 3.59 am.

Lighting up: 8.39 pm to 5.18 am. High water: London Bridge, 7.52 am. 6.4 m: 8.13 pm, 6.0m. Avonmouth, 12.46 am, 10.6m; 1.23 pm, 10.1m. Dover, 4.59 am, 5.5m; 5.34 pm, 5.4m. Holl, 12.13 pm, 5.8m. Liverpoot, 5.20 am, 7.7m; 6.02 pm, 7.4m. Ift=0.3048m lm=3.2808ft

A ridge of high pressure persists over S Britain while a trough of

Forecast fod 6 am to midnight:
London, SE, cent S England;
Dry, sunny intervals; wind NW
moderate; max temp 14° or 15°C

WEATHER REPORTS YESTERDAY MIDDAY: c, cloud; f, fair;

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Yesterday

London: Temp: max, 7 am pm, 13°C (55°F); min, 7 pn 7 am, 4°C (39°F). Humidic pm, 38 per cent. Rain, 24'n / pm, nil. Sun, 24'n to 7 9.2'nr. Bur, mean ses level, 7 1,023.8 millibars steady. 1.000 millibars = 29.53in.

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announced last December, and the reduction of 20,000 that is part of the annual pay deal now been a chance for my son to uncle and on have had an operation that readily agreed. being negotiated. Companies book up hotels for staff

y David Nicholson-Lord three-star categories and above Hotel space in central London in London are fully booked for seeking to ensure that senior weeks in advance.
staff can get to work despite the The agency added: "There

day confirmed a rise in reservations for May 13 and 14, the eve and night of the day of action, while the London Tourist booking agency has been forced

to arrange coaches to take staff to offices because the nearest botels are fully booked. According to Exp-o-tel, a hotel

to reveal the sources of any

defamatory information they have published, and therefore

the information is responsibly

used, Mr Alexander Irvine, QC,

said in the Court of Appeal

yesterday.

Mr Irvine was asking the court, presided over by Lord

Denning, the Master of the Rolls, to overturn a ruling on

appeal by Sir Robert Mega.ry, the Vice-Chancellor, that Granada Television should be

urdered to say who supplied it

about the British Steel Corpora-

The documents formed the

basis of a programme The Steel

Papers, broadcast on February

4, which argued that the cor-poration's difficulties were the

result not only of low produc-tivity but also of poor manage-

Mr Irvine cited nine cases in

defence of his argument that in libel cases it had been shown

that, where the press is con-

cerned, a rule of law of proc-tice has grown up by which the

press is not compelled to identify its sources.

He was not claiming that the

confidential documents

not have to do so when

By Frances Gibb

QC argues libel analogy in

Granada steel papers case

on the TUC's planned "day of the two nights, as against the action" on May 14 is rapidly one or two that would normally being taken up by companies now be full more than three

Hotel booking agencies yesterin advance bookings over the

been the most active and hotels in and near the City were booked up. Of half a dozen hotels of three stars and above telephoned at

past 10 days. For some time there appeared to be doubt about whether it was happening but now that it looks as Board issued a warning that though it is definitely on, reservations are getting into advance reservations were reservations are getting into needed for anyone planning a full swing."
stay in London that week. One HBI-Hotac, another booking

random vesterday, only one had rooms available for May 14, although May 13 was easier. Examples included the Strand Palace Hotel, full up for the past week the Russell Hotel, full for three weeks, and the

agency, said that the response by companies had been light said that May was normally a compared with arrangements "tight" month for accommodamade for previous rail strikes. The agency said that although booking agency, more than a only a small proportion of its third of about 120 hotels in corporate customers had made

disclose sources, but courts had

held in the past that it was in the public interest that they

"Just as a policeman can be compelled to reveal the identity

of an informant if the needs of

the judge require it in a criminal trial, it is not surpris-

ing that a journalist should not

be better off in the same con-

text", he said. But entirely

different considerations arose

in the case of a civil action.

Mr Irvine was arguing that
the British Steel Corporation

does not intend to take legal

action against the employee who leaked the documents. It simply

wanted to obtain his name and

if a newspaper had obtained the same papers and published

an article along the lines of the

programme, the same argument of a special rule should apply,

should The libel cases showed

the courts had clearly recognized that the public interest lay in not compelling the press

to reveal sources, and there-

fore the same should apply to cases other than likel ones. The hearing was adjourned.

Irvine replied that it

Lord Denning asked whether,

dismiss him.

should not be so ordered.

lapped with the end of the business conference season. rape dismisses

Britain, dismissed his counsel a short time before he appeared at Shrewsbury Crown Court yesterday.

Justice Drake for a change of venue because of local puband that the charges should be heard separately.

Dealing with the man's an-

and Yorkshire, of another sex offence with one of the girls and of two burglaries at a boarding school in south Shropshire. He pleaded not guilty to all charges and said that he would

trial. The accused man asked Mr

trial judge.

Man accused of defence counsel

He is accused of raping girls at boarding schools in Shropshire. Stoffordshire. Cumbria

conduct his own defence at the

The judge said that it was in the best interests of everyone that the heating should go ahead as early as possible and it would start at Nottingham

plications, he sad that a change of venue was inevitable. He did not think that the papers warranted separated trials, but the man could apply to the

A bachelor aged 41 accused rape in various parts of

Crown Court on May 13.

Tower Hotel, which has been fully booked for a fortnight. tion in London because the temp 13° or 14°C (55° to 57°F).

W Midlands, N Wales, NW England, Lake District, Isle of Man, SW Scotland, N Ireland: Mostly dry: rather cloudy some bright or sumy intervals; wind W moderate; max temp 13° to 15° C (55° to 59° F).

Channel Islands, SW England, S Wales: Dry summy pariods.

Today

Lighting up: 8.39 pm to 5.18 am.

low pressure remains slow-moving near N Scotland.

(57° to 59°F). (57° to 59°F).
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HOME NEWS____

Racial discord seen by TUC as a reason for banning a march

Labour Editor ban processions
Trade union leaders are to up racial harred. urge the Home Secretary to amend the Race Relations Act so that marches "likely to stir up racial hatred or intolerance " could be banned.

draft memorandum of evidence zations which were designed to to Mr Whitelaw on public order and related issues to be con-sidered by the TUC general council tomorrow.

The TUC argues: "A fundadistinction exists between the banning of processions likely to foment racial discord and the banning of other murches under the 1936 Public Order Act. Bans against racialist marches should be implemented through laws on racial discrimination and not through public order legisla-

The Race Relations Act pro-hibits the publication or distri-bution of written matter or the use of words in public which are likely to incite racial harred; but it contains no powers to restrict or ban racialist marches nor any power of arrest, and prosecutions under the contains of the it require the consent of the Attorney General.
The TUC points our that the

Accordingly, the unions advised the Home Secretary to issue guidance to police com-missioners and chief constables that bans under section 3 of the 1936 Act "should be targeted against organizations which set out to provoke vio-lence or to intimidate local communities".

Whitelaw should consider each other and with the permis- and white citizens alike"

sion of the Home Secretary, to ban processions likely to stir

Trade unionists have tried unsuccessfully over the past few years to get the Government to ban "provocative marches" by the National The proposal is made in a Front and other racialist organiantagonize racial minorities and to incite racial hatred and pre-

> " However, what has occurred in practice is that blanket bans have been issued (for example, Ilford and Leeds 1978) which have restricted all political marches including those against the National Front, or the police have decided not to issue bans despite pressure to do so (Lewisham 1977)."

Turning to political activity governed by the Representation of the People Act, 1949, the TUC complains that the provis-ion allowing schools to be hired for public meetings has been abused by the National Front, which held election meetings in schools in "sensitive racial areas", including Southall, but refused to allow the public to

The TUC therefore proposes that the Home Secretary should The TUC points our that the Public Order Act was intended to deal with the activities of fascist organizations, including the followers of Oswald Moseley, which were disrupting public order.

Accordingly, the unions adfined so that any person may attend without restriction on entrance by ticket, invitation or any other means.

Union leaders are concerned about the "persistent efforts of racialist groups to stir up racial The TUC insists it is ommunities".

The TUC also proposes that freedom of speech, for which trade unionists have fought, introducing a provision under "but racialist groups cannot be the Race Relations Act allow-ing the police or local authori-nicious doctrines and to create ties, acting in consultation with tension and fear among black

Hostels fire safety grant raised from £500 to £5,000

By a Staff Reporter

The Government is to in-crease from £500 to £5,000 the maximum amount of grant to be made available under the Housing Bill to hostels for installing fire precautions.

The move comes after the fire at the Missionaries of Charity hostel, Kilburn, last month in which nine women died .

The £500 grant limit was only introduced into the Bill after pressure from groups representing the homeless. Since then there has been strong criticism from the C ampaign for Single Homeless People, for the grant to be increased.

The report of Brent Council's inquiry into the fire also urged that the amount of rant should some resemblance to the

the Department of the Environ-ment, in a written reply to Mr Charles Irving, Conservative MP for Cheltenham.

The percentage rate at which the grant will be paid will not, however, be d ecided until the Bill becomes law later this year. Mr Finsberg said he h oped the change would give an incentive to landlords to provide fire escapes and would encourage housing authorities to use their statutory powers.

аплоидсетель welcomed the campaign but the charity said that the percentage contribution the grant made to-wards the cost of the w orks would have to be set at the the role of peaceful policing I upper limit, if it was to provide | do not think they endanger a real incentive to improve fire precautions. The percentage rate payable for house reno-The move was announced by vation grants ranges from 50 Geoffrey Finsberg, parliamen to 75 per cent.

Union rights threatened' by McNee proposals

By Peter Evans Home Affairs Correspondent New powers sought by police organizations constituted the

serious threat on customary trade union rights and tradi-tional civil liberties in Britain, the TUC told MPs yesterday. Its written evidence to the Select Committee on Home Affairs described as "dangerous" the stated intentions of Sir David McNee, the Metropolitan Police Commissioner,

concerning picketing. The TUC quotes a call by police organizations for powers for senior police officers to dis-perse assemblies of three or more people similar to those powers in section 24 of the Northern Feland (Emergency Provisions) Act 1978.

Sir David had said in evidence "that the proposed new powers to deal with assemblies would include industrial picket-ing. These powers would not apply to industrial picketing of a lawful nature but 'logically' any form of assembly not protected by the trade disputes immunity should be controlled in the same way as other forms of demonstration and they would give the police far greater powers in dealing with massed pickering such as Grun-

The TUC said that three important conclusions could be drawn from that statement. First, he clearly stated that in his opinion the present trade union immunities, which were civil immunities, limited the ambit of the criminal law and the powers of the police in

trade disputes.
Second, it followed that if and when the existing immunities were sharply curtailed by the Employment Bill, the Commissioner considered that the police powers would be correspondingly sharply increased in industrial disputes.
Third, the commission was

pressing for new police powers to deal with assemblies and lemonstrations.
The TUC added: "Although

the Association of Chief Police Officers have recently stated to the Home Secretary that further police powers are not necessary, it is understood that the reason for this statement is that the proposed reductions in civil immunities will sharply reduce the extent of lawful picketing and therefore increase the discretion of police officers to con-trol industrial picketing".

The TUC acknowledged that the police often had extremely difficult tasks to perform

Mr Alan Sapper, general secretary of the Association of Cinematograph, Television and Allied Technicians, told the committee: "If police are used as a confrontational force—this has happened with the special patrol group and police have broken up peaceful assemblies of people in a brutal mannerthen the atmosphere worsens

considerably. "When police are occupying civil liberties. If thousands of police are used to ensure their presence is known then that often causes action they are there to see does not happen."

Security companies show how to make a thief wish he had not bothered to call wheelbarrow", the robot de- and then allowing a scrambled

Working on the premise that if you cannot always stop a thief you can at least make him wish he had not bothered, the security industry yesterday un-leashed a cacophony of screeches, wails, and shrieks at Olympia, in London, to demon-strate the latest intruder alarms and sirens.

On the opening day of the International Fire, Security, and Safety Exhibition and Con-ference, the exhibition centre sounded like an electronic version of an equatorial rain forest. Four hundred and fifty exhibitors, the largest entry in the exhibition's eight years, were on hand to offer items such as armour-plated helicopter seats and veterinary aid oxygen kits for horses.
A 17-year-old Royal Horse

A 17-year-old Royal Horse Artillery charger was on hand to demonstrate the effectiveness of the latter item. One company was exhibiting an example of the Army's

in Nothern Ireland. It says something about how long the province's troubles have gone on that the apparatus has reached a Mark VII version.

crime. The latest bomb dispo-sal suit includes a "trauma-attenuation pack" to give protection against bullets. A clipboard designed with the help of British police forces dou-bles as an armoured shield.

Another company offers a range of bullet-proof body armour, including the executive style, a slightly bulky

waistcoat. To cope with electronic assailants, one exhibitor offers a range of gadgets claimed to protect the purchaser against bugging and telephone tapping. For £12,000 the company has available two briefcases of equipment capable of first detecting hidden microphones

veloped for dismantling bombs telephone conversation. Each case also includes a device to disguise the voice of the

Much of the exhibition is devoted to the everyday world of crime, where the issue is not the microphone or the bomb but a wage snatch or a car

One system on show allows a car to be immobilized by removing a special card. The removal cuts the car's electric circuits. Cases for wages now come complete with smoke bombs or piercing alarms.

Despite the many stands advertising armoured lorries, computerized burglar systems and big safes, the individual has not been forgotten. On offer is what is said to be the first personal safety alarm built into a wrist watch.

It is designed for the elderly and partly handicapped and can send a radio signal.

Whitehall brief: White Paper's one sentence on replacement of deterrent criticized

Mr Pym could make up for Mr Pattie's Polaris brevity

lems and tissues exist, and that the public might just have a right to know about these mat- Paper to the issue of serviceters, bearing in mind that they pay for the bills ".

brave words into action. As his credit, when it emerged earlier this month, it turned out to be certainly the fullest and possibly the frankest document of its kind ever published her his kind ever

Mr Partie's achievement won praise during a seminar last week at the International Institute of Strategic Studies, in Covent Garden, London. Mr Pattie and a Civil Service team were present to hear the views of non-Whitehall analysts and commentators on the White Paper's assump-

lished by the Ministry of

Defence.

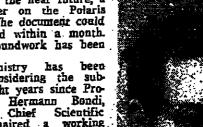
By Peter Hennessy document had restricted dis-released, in the near future, a fin the Commons debate on cussion of the greatest single Green Paper on the Polaris defence White Paper, defence decision facing the successor. The document could be applied within a month. tive MP for Chertsey and Wal-ton, then an Opposition spokes-man was hiring in his association. Squadron as the date man, was biting in his compar- British strategic nuclear deter- The ministry has been ison of the inadequacy of the rent in the 1990s—to a single actively considering the sub-British document against its sentence. Why, the ministry ject for eight years since Pro-British document against its sentence. Why, the ministry American counterpart which, team was asked, could not the he said, recognized "that prob- admirable Green Paper, or disadmirable Green Paper, or dis-

cussion document approach that it applied in the White women carrying firearms, have been adopted for an issue of Fate and Mrs Margaret unique importance?
Thatcher subsequently placed The options, it was said, had

Mr Pattie in a position to turn been admirably displayed three years ago in a Royal Institute Parliamentary Under-Secretary of International Affairs docu-for the Air Force, he chaired ment by Mr Ian Smart. Could the editorial board responsible not the White Paper, without for the Air Force, he chaired ment by Mr Ian Smart. Could deterrent is necessary at all the editorial board responsible not the White Paper, without Mr Michael Quinlan, deputy for the presentation of the committing the Government, secretary (policy) at the 1980 defence White Paper. To have discussed the choices Ministry of Defence, White-his credit, when it emerged available and their likely cost halfe. available and their likely cost in a way that would have allowed the Commons Select Committee on Defence and the interested public to have conducted a genuine debate before Mr Francis Pym, Secretary of State for Defence, rises at the despatch box to tell the world that we shall need the Trident missile and five, rather than four, new submarines to carry the British nuclear deterrent into the twenty-first century at a cost of between £4,000m and £5,000m?
The ministry could still live

Sir Hermann Bondi, its Chief Scientific fessor then Adviser, chaired a working party in 1972-73. What might Mr. Pym put in the Green Paper apart from the possible choices of launch and delivery systems?

nical options, prepared by a committee under Professor Ronald Mason, the ministry's present Chief Scientific



Firstly, he would need a supporting document to explain why the Government believes a third-generation British nuclear hall's exceptionally sharp "high priest" of deterrence (he is known as "the ministry's Jesuit"), prepared a paper on deterrence theory for the Treasury's Defence Materiel Division during the administration of Mr James Callaghan when the argument over money for a new system first began. Mr Pym could publish that intact without jeopardizing national security.

A second paper, on the technical

tions and contents.

up to the hopes of its largely present Chief Scientific place of Once the well-deserved plaus sympathetic critics at last Adviser, would need to have in the redits had died down, however, week's seminar, if Mr Pym certain genuinely sensitive sections several participants regretted in delayed announcing his decitions removed before publicate to talk the strongest terms that the sion until the autumn and cation. But Mr Pym could use aspects



Mr Michael Quinlan, known

as "the ministry's Jesuit". part of it to explain why the Government felt an expensive, rent is indispensable to to submarine-launched inter-con-country, he should explicite tinental ballistic missile system himself to the public in ord was the only feasible deterrent to carry them with him and was the only feasible deterrent to carry them with him and rather than a cheaper system reduce the chances of t based on the cruise missile or continuing with Polaris missiles carried in new boats.

Finally, the Green Paper defence review.

could include a chapter on the place of the British deterrent the process of the British Adaptic Blance Formeric and Strategic Inc.

believe threaten British crops.

terranean fruit fly
Limited personal imports

from Europe and countries bordering the Mediterranean will be allowed without restric-

tion, however. The ministry said

that a pineapple bought in Africa would not be allowed to

enter Britain, but an African pineapple bought in Europe

Ministry officials justified

The best-known imported pest is the Colorado beetle which can

destroy potato crops.

No private import of minia-

behind the deterrent : can really believe in an indefin and unqualified United Stat commitment to the defence Europe It is not just too di gerous to leave the French the sole strategic nuclear for among the European power But large strides towards to truth as the Government se it could be taken short

The Ministry of Defence among a tiny group of depa ments where the spirit openness has not disappear under Mrs Thatcher's high secretive (although high leak-prone) administration. Green Paper on the deterre would improve its reputati still further. Most important all, from Mr Pym's point view, an expenditure 25,000m in the present econ mic chimare could very eas be ended by a Labour Gover ment returning to office in t mid or lare 1980s

If he really believes a det

one could not expect Mr Pym by Ian Smart, RIIA, Chathe to talk publicly about all House, 10 St James's Squar aspects of the national London SW1 4LE, £4):

to go up

By a Staff Reporter

next week

Bread prices will rise ne

week; they were increased ia

in December. The full sho

price of a large, sliced whi loaf will go up by 21p to 361 and a small loaf will go by 14

Some large brown loaves wi

cost more than 40p but mar supermarkets will still sell the sliced white loaf for less tha

The increases were announce yesterday by the two large con panies which supply most of the bread eaten in Britain. Bot said that the main reason for

the increases was dearer flour

Ranks Hovis McDougali said

that immediately before Britain joined the EEC in 1973 the company had paid £30 a ton for

Canadian wheat. It was now paying more than £150, while English wheat had increased from £23 to £120.

it hoped to be able to hold the

Associated British Foods said

Plant law may allow in Bread prices diseased imports

By Hugh Clayton New import laws will leave loopholes which could enable plant pests and diseases to enter

vesterday will ban the import of some plant materials and require others to be covered by health certificates, but limited imports by private individuals will be allowed without restric-

The Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food said yester-day, however, that any plant material was a potential carrier of pests or diseases, and appealed to travellers not to bring any such materials into Britain although they were

the concession by saying that no new diseases or pest attacks in Britain had been traced to returning travellers. Moreover the areas covered by the con-cession had strict plant health "Mention of Dutch Elm disease, which came from North America, is sufficient to make the point", the ministry said.
"One potato carrylog ring rot and planted in this country could set off the disease." The orders, which bring ture or seedling trees will be British law into line with EEC allowed under the new laws.

girl who was

Kelli Thomas, aged six, was

First, he throttled her, then stamped on her throat and crushed her chest by kneeling

The boy denies murdering the girl. Mr Justice Wien, the judge, ordered that his identity

Thomas died last October in a small bramble copse in the

undergrowth. It went unnoticed for hours as police and neighbours searched the area. A police tracker dog eventually

what they had done was WLODE,

harmonization rules, will allow government inspectors to destroy plants which they

Britain for the first time. The orders list prohibited pests
Orders laid before Parliament like oak timber worm and Medi-

stamped to death while picking blackberries. She was attacked 100 yards from her home in Havant, Hampshire, by a boy aged 13 it was alleged yester-

on her, Mr Ian Kennedy, QC, for the prosecution, said at Winchester Crown Court.

should not be published at this The court beard that Kelli

middle of a housing estate in Her body was hidden under a hoard and then covered by

found the child. Mr Kennedy said: "The attack that was launched on this girl was prolonged and serious. And there is no doubt at all that whoever killed the child knew perfectly well that

The case was adjourned.

Boy denies killing Town's lack of jobs for young reaches 'crisis'

From Arthur Osman

The prospects of unemployment for young people in the third generation new town of Telford, Shrooshire, were so great as to constitute a crisis, it was said yesterday.

The town's association said that other new towns in the same category, such as Peter-borough, Northampton and Warrington, employment was far better and at Milton Keynes it was exceptionally good.

Council this week, show that only nine of the 139 areas in the Department of Employment's monthly review show a higher rate of unemployment than Telford. A report said: "Telford can be compared with some of the most depressed areas in the United Kingdom". The level of unemployment was one and a half rimes the

masked the even deeper pro-lem of young people bearing disproportionate share of the burden of unemployment ar their relative position v deteriorating. Telford has a working pop-lation of 49,415 of whom 6,5

are estimated to be aged und 19. A comparison with nation figures last year disclosed th in a normal month 13 per ce of unemployed men and 28 p cent of unemployed wome were under the age of 19, by in Telford the figures were per cent and 41 per cent re pectively. Those figures wer abnormally high and appears

to be growing, it was said.
The report continued: "Oth worrying factors are beginning to emerge. The prospect f this year's school leavers a pears to be affected by the 2.000 redundancies notified year ended Octobe an increase of 33 p cent. Only 45 per cent youth opportunities programs trainees are finding permane work. A small number has now completed two youth c portunities programmes at remain unemployed."

The Director of Public Prosecutions has decided that no further action should be taken after an investigation into allegations over the expenses incurred by Mr Robert Hicks, Conservative MP, in retaining the Bodmin seat in Cornwall in the general election last May.

after a dossier was handed by the liberal agent in the constituency. It included allegations that Mr Hicks's election expenses were over the legal

Brian Farthing. Mr Porthing said yesterday the report had been returned with instructions that no further action should

Mrs Thatcher to

For the first time in a number of years, the leader of the party will not address this year's final Saturday rally of the Scottish Conservative Conference.

Mrs Thatcher will speak on the

safety inquiry to be reopened From Our Correspondent

Capver Island anvey Island
The risks facing Canville Island will be disclosed at Island will be used inquiry over an oil refined there later this year.

A preliminary briefing w held on the island yesterd by General Sir Richard Wat the inspector, who will presid at the full hearing which ope on June 5.

Lawyers who will present t case for the revocation of pla ning permission for an Itali oil refivery on the island at those who will press for pe mission to continue describ-vesterday's briefing as exce

tional. The original hearing, wh began five years ago. h been reopened to consider t implications of a Health at Safety Executive report on this island. Sir Bernard Braine, Co servative MP for Essex, Sou East who has campaigned f years concerning the dange from industries in the area, too part in the briefing.

Steering lock causes stolen car to crash

Mr David Short, of Mauric Road, St Andrews, Bristol, SE his car stolen outside his hon that she would attend the FA and driven into a crash barrit Cup Final at Wembley on the The thief could not remove to Saturday. The conference is to lock from the steering who be held in Perth from May 8 and the car could move on the car coul

Dons angry at year's delay on Clegg award

Education Correspondent teachers' pay. The Association of University Teachers (AUT) is angry about the Clegg commission's statement that it cannot produce a report on university teachers'

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in other jobs. When the university teachers decided to refer their comparability pay claim to the Clegg commission last December, it mission's unexpected decision was on the understanding that last week that it needs at least a report would be ready by this a year to complete the pro- summer, and that the resulting

The commission is known to have been dissatisfied with the rushed job it did on school teachers' and college lecturers' pay. This time, it insists, it must university teacher's job will be

The AUT has not yet submitted any evidence to the Clegg commission nor put a figure on its claim which is to

ber 1. 1980. Mr Lawrence Sapper, general secretary of the AUT which represents 32,000 of the 35,000 university teachers in Britain, said yesterday: "Our members have been firmly promised a final Clegg increase on October 1. There is no way that we are going to be content to have this increase delayed any further.

If yesterday's sailing condi-ions hold Mr David Scott

Cowper should reach Plymouth

by Thursday morning and beat Dama Naomi James's round-the-

world single-handed record of 272 days by three weeks.

surveyor from Newcastle upon

Tyne, vesterday was less than 350 miles from Plymouth, which

he left 247 days ago in his 40ft

amateur radio enthusiast said : sea.

yacht Ocean Bound.

A'6 per cent "payment on

a year because of lack of finance

Lighthouse threatened: The inshore light of a pair of

Victorian leading lights off Dovercourt, Essex, the future

of which is in doubt. Both the inshore and seaward lights

are listed buildings but they cannot be restored for at least

causing actual bodily harm to a hoy aged 14. restore university teachers' Edinburgh yesterday as their salaries to their real 1974 levels.

That would require increases of representatives for pay talks

ditions held Mr Scott Cowper Mr Scott Cowper, aged 38, a would make about 120 miles a If he arrives of Plymouth tomorrow he will beat by one day the record set by the late

Policemen in jury-vetting case deny harming boy

John Hodgkinson, aged 21. of Sherrard Road, and Peter Roland Oliver, aged 20. of Northfield Road, both of Sheffield, pleaded not guilty to

The jury at Sheffield Crown Court comprised six men and six women and Air Borman Jones, representing Mr Oliver, said one woman's name was not on the list.

understand one was released." Asking that the woman be replaced Mr Jones declared "In is no reflection on this lady at

tervene. Mr Michael Harrison, for the from allegations that officers,

From Our Correspondent

The Sheffield jury verting case began yesterday with a woman juror being challenged and standing down, even though it was emphasized that there the boy was the ringleader of a was no reflection on her.
Two police officers, Michael

Judge Pickles said: "I cannot help that. There were 25 on the original panel and 1

No mention was made to the iury that the matter of vetting had gone to the Court of Appeal who decided they could not in-

prosecution, said the case arose slipped and fell on some wet

Figures which were published confidentially some weeks ago and which will be given to Shropshire County

national average and would probably reach 12 per cent before the end of this year, the report said. The figures

Action ruled out | Canvey Island over Tory MP's expenses

A police inquiry was started

A report was sent to the director by Det Chief Inspector

attend Cup Final

Friday tight. It was stated in Edinburgh

pay before the summer of 1981. University teachers had originally been promised their full

Clegg comparability pay award by October, the association says. An informal meeting between the association, officials of the Department of Education and Science, and the universities will be held today to discuss the implications of the com-

have enough time to carry out a proper pay comparability study based on the so-called "factor plan", under which a variety of factors involved in a compared with similar factors

1980, and the second from Octo-

award would be paid in two 25 to 30 per cent on October, stages; the first from April 1, 1979, salaries.

account'" in respect of any Clegg award has been paid to the university teachers since April 1. The AUT is expected to press the Government and the universities to give them a second, much larger, payment on account from October 1, while awaiting the Clegg

report. Or, the AUT may decide to withdraw its claim from the commission altogether. Scottish protest: Hundreds of teachers from all over Scotland staged a noisy demonstration in

Solo sailor heads for record "Four bundred miles southwest of Land's End. All well." The message was relayed to Land's End radio station, where Mr Lawrence Lawry, the station manager, estimated that if con-

Sir Francis Chichester for the A message picked up by an total number of days spent at

stamped to death From Our Correspondent Winchester

West Leigh.

Police, while on duty had manhandled the boy and deliber-ately banged his head against a wall on the night of September 23, 1978. They had been told

group of youths making a noise and interfering with a car near

a community centre. Mr Harrison said an important prosecution witness was a woman special constable, Miss Sheila Powell, who took the view the boy's head was banged deliberately and not accidently and she was so plainly upset at what she had seen that in the police car Mr Hodgkinson is alleged to have said: "If that is what they want, that is what they will get" and said he was

Mr Oliver also apologized and said to have told her "You have got your opinion. Keep it to yourself." It was claimed that the boy was taken by the arms and marched away offering some

resistance. As they left an alley

way his head was taken by the hair and banged against the

wall. He was later allowed to

sorry about it.

Both officers denied any assault and said Mr Hodkinson

k Jenkin, Secretary of for Social Services, said

i's medical schools were rget of 4,500 by 1990 was e right one.

number of doctors com in overseas was likely to because countries like were trying to keep their graduates and soon would not be the "yawn-

Kagan's son is alleged

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Kagan was named on

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he alleged exchange breaches were not part

charges

bael Kagan.

Our Correspondent

nabel Ferriman

1 Services Correspondent for junior doctors that there is a question of waitliants and fewer junior stop provide a better prospects for staff, Mr k Jenkin, Secretary of BMA.

ing gap " in the health service for the profession itself to consider. It is a question of waiting until the profession itself to consider. It is a question of waiting until the climate is right."

Although creating more consultant posts would involve some extra expenditure, doc-

for Social Services, said day.

Jenkin said in an excluteriew with The Times, he did not think that in a choose were coming from overseas, taking junior doctor posts and returning before continuous to become r's medical schools were ring too many doctors as consultants. There would have laimed by the British to be more consultant posts created to fill the needs of principle innior doctors.

There is a need to alter the structure of the profession to have more consultants and fewer juniors so that there are better prospects for those who reach the senior registrar level." he said. "This is a matter very much

rd Kagan's son committed for trial

who is in Paris. Yesterday Mr Kagan, aged 28,

of Barkisland Hall, Barkisland,

West Yorkshire, was committed for trial at Leed; Crown Court,

He is accused of four charges of stealing a total of 239 drums

of indigo dye powder; nine charges under the Exchange

Control Act involving a total of

\$360,000 (£163,413) and three charges of false accounting.

53, a company secretary of Wedgewood Drive, Roundhay,

Mr Raymond Kennedy, aged

some extra expenditure, doc-tors' solaries was only a small proportion of the total spending the health service and som senior registrars now carne more than consultants with overtime payments, so the extra expense would not be great.

"I would not expect money to be the main obstacle. I think the main obstacle is to reconcile the consultant grades to what they may see as a measure of dilution to their work. Mr Jenkin gave a warning

that there was no extra money available for the paramedical staff who went on strike for 24

of the extradition proceedings. Leeds, was sent for trial on four being taken against Lord Kagan allegations under the Exchange allegations under the Exchange Control Act.

Mr Robert Taylor, for the prosecution, explained to the magistrates that extradition proceedings are being taken against Lord Kagan but the proceedings only involve four charges of stealing indigo dye

and one of false accounting. Reporting restrictions were not lifted for the hearing. Mr Kagan and Mr Kennedy were granted bail and the charges Lord Kagan

Peer and MP caught by police in a brothel

they found more than 50 men, including a member of the House of Lords, a member of Parliament, accountants, solicitors, barristers and businessmen, it was stated at Inner London Crown Court yesterday

Cynthia Payne, aged 46, pleaded guilty to exercising control over three prostitutes and keeping a disorderly house at Ambleside Avenue, Streat-

ham.

She pleaded not guilty to further counts of exercising control over prostitutes. Her pleas were accepted by the

pieas wal-prosecution. Indee David West-Russell and accept that ludge David West-Russell said that he did not accept that Miss Payne was unfamiliar with the law because she had appeared in court on four occasions for running a brothel.
Miss Payne was sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment for

keeping a brothel and fined a total of £1,950 on the three counts of exercising control. She was also ordered to pay costs up to £2,000 because the judge said he saw no reason why the public should have to for the police time in-

Donald Farquharson. OC, for the prosecution, said that police watched the house in Ambleside Avenue during October, November and December, 1978.

They raided the premises on December 6 and found films and obscene matter which the nolice suggested were used as In 12 days' observation the

police said 249 men and 50 women entered the premises for sexual intercourse ". The men paid £15 to go in and that was split equally be-

The house in Ambleside Avenue, Streatham, that was used as a brothel. £560. Films were found in tins tween Miss Payne and the Some women were naked. and cupboards.
Supt Terence Powell said that

prostitutes, some of whom could described as be amateurs who had chosen to earn extra money, Mr Farquhar-

On the day the police went there a party was being held. The police found 53 men and 43 prostitutes. They had seen an obscene film and were queuing on the stairs to go to the bedrooms.

Others were scantily dressed. Drinks and food were available

in a conservatory.

Each person paid £25 to go to the party. A ticket was given in the form of a luncheon youcher. The men then sought partners. The girls were paid 18 for each ticket surrendered

The police found items for

Arts Council warning over theatre subsidies By Kenneth Gosling

Arts Reporter

Mr John Faulkner, drama director of the Arts Council, has written to subsidized theatre companies throughout the country warning them that payments will be withdrawn inless they keep up with their at paperwork.

That includes weekly and monthly box office returns.
duplicated copies of notices of meerings, agendas and minutes. advance information about proluctions and press conferences and copies of leaflets and programmes.

One theatre administrator aid yesterday: "This is the aid vesterday: irst time sanctions have been hreatened. We exist to run theatres, not to churn the local statistics. All authorities who support need the audited accounts and this should do for the Arts Council, plus, of course, notifi-cation of any coproductions that we undertake."

Mr Faulkner's letter to administrators says that of more than 100 companies suppored by the council fewer than a dozen have consistently com-plied with all the requirements throughout the past year.

Miss Payne had two previous convictions for keeping a

the House of Lords.

convictions for keeping a brothel, in 1965 and 1974. Replying to Mr G. Robertson, for the defence, Supt Powell agreed that the clientele was mostly middle-aged. It included "If this problem persists in the coming financial year, the council will not make payments to companies which fail in subaccountants, barristers and solistantial ways to comply with these conditions." citors, an MP and a member of

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Office wrapped any that looked touchy or ssing, especially politi-tharrassing, with a 100-

etter to the newspaper. am said the rules about including the special for research gents ents for research applied to Scottish ecords as they did to of Whitehall depart-I know of no instances under these arrange-Scottish Office emains closed where a government department to the public ", he wrote. four them and he was to encourage the use of

tish Record Office by availability of public has become a sensitive he feeling is generally that access is important ernment accountability open scrutiny of action y civil powers. The Records Committee is g the comparable Acts ad and Wales.

cident of history made different on access. lic Records Acts of 1958 7 laid down a normal f only 30 years' closure and and Wales. In Scot-hich "modernized" its ecords law in 1937, no ns were included for periods of closure. But 968, access to govern-cords has been controlthe same rules that Whirehall departments the Lord Chancellor's

Scottish Office strongly that departments exer-bitrary discretion. Any ter may ask to see any file. The appropriate tent looks at the request ed by its release? Does wase of the information er national security?

yone be embarrassed or el by its release? Does r public service? arkshire during the coal strike lyear closure was placed of 1887, apply first to the Scottish Office.

Regional report

Ronald Faux Edinburgh

and those containing material about national security. A 75year closure covered files with personal details, for example the files of individual prisoners which could cause distress. The 50-year wrap was the normal period applied where earlier disclosure could cause distress or embarrassment.

Over the past 15 years the Scotish Office has dealt with

70 applications for access to closed files. More than 90 per cent of requests were granted but in about 5 per cent access to certain files was refused. It is of course that small propotion that is most delicate and controversial.

Many papers in the Scottish Record Office carrying a 100year closure have intriguing titles. The Home and Health Index volume 55 lists a file containing "Police action against Scottish nationalist organizations: reports by various police forces: details of postal and telegraphic censorship". The file is not due to be opened until 2041,

The Scottish Office often con-

sults Whitehall when difficult questions arise over opening closed files. The feeling is that a recommendation from the Public Records Committee to introduce law for the whole of the United Kingdom would not

the United Kingdom would not be resisted in Scotland.

But are the present regulations frustrating a full and accurate account of Scottish history? The Scottish Record Office contains a mile and a half of information in 123,750 files. Last year only 11,000 were produced on request by research workers, which shows a lamentable level of interest.

There is, the Scottish Record Office says, a rich wealth of material readily available and unrapped, but if you want to know about the forced feeding of suffragettes in Dundee, the pro-Boer meetings at the turn of the century or the stationing of cavalry and artillery in Lanarkshire during the coal strike

Prudential profile No.2: Kenneth Fleet reporting



"The Prudential has strong support at the grass roots. I find out why."

nsioner saw youth kill with axe, jury told

Omment was said to have ade by David Octavius aged 19, shortly before put on an identity par-even days after the

ames pleaded not guilty tol Crown Court yester-the murder on October 3 stable Desmond Kellam, L'a probationary police

usel, Mr Gilbert Gray, I the jury that Mr James formal admission that broken into W. H. Smith as' shop at Trowbridge, "He was chased, and was involved in a with PC Kellam during the policeman received pluries from the bill-

Mr Gray said. atrick Back, QC, for the the father of two chiluon parade. killed with one blow The nearing continues

on a double-edged billas alleged yesterday to
did later: "I suppose I
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"There was a clash, a torch fell to the ground, and two or three seconds later, doubtless, a blow with the billhook was

Mr James was seen running away through the churchyard by Mr Benjamin Grainger and his wife, Eva, who were walking home through the churchyard. Mr Grainger had spotted Mr James sheltering from the rain and their way in a shop doorway on their way to the church an hour earlier,

Mr Back said.

Mr Back said.

He was able to describe Mr James with considerable accuracy, adding that he was wearing blue and red clothing.

Mr James, of West Ashton Road, Trowbridge, was seen at his home within two hours of the murder and the police found that he had been wearing a blue and red cerdigan, which was still damp. Mr Grainger picked him out at an identificapicked him out at an identifica-

ur Correspondent

PC Kellant had discovered Mr James using the billhook to smash his way into the shop and chased him into St James's churchyard.

a Prudential agent on his rounds of the local farming community. Kenneth Fleet: When did you begin to think about insurance Robert? Robert Barclay: (farmer: When I was a boy my father took out insurance for me. When I got married

and started a family I took out more. Fleet: I imagine there are several types of insurance which a farmer finds necessary for his farm

ocal representation has always been one of

the Prudential's strengths. The Company

has as many as 460 District Managers with

over 11,000 staff - the men and women from the

'Pru' who keep in daily contact with people in

Prudential country 'parish' in Scotland to join

their district. Kenneth Fleet visited a typical

and for his work? Barclay: The main one is fire and storm damage cover. With farming nowadays mechanical accident risks have increased. Also accidents to visitors -

like vourself. Fleet: Although you're still a young man do you think about a pension?

Barclay: The earlier you get started the better as far as these things go. My father was a bit older before he took out a pension policy and he's paying a far bigger premium than if you start young.

Fleet: Tell me, Allen, how your connection with Mr. Barclay has developed.

Allen Sey: (Prudential Agent) It's developed greatly since I took over nine years ago, in part due to inflation. The Barclays felt that if the farm was to keep in step with inflation they would have to increase farming community. their policies accordingly.

Fleet: Do you offer the whole range of insurance to a farmer like Mr. Barclay?

Sey: We're geared for all sorts of policies. One policy which is a great attraction to a farmer like Robert, deals with capital transfer tax. A Prudential policy enables proceeds on the death of his father to be paid to Robert free of tax, as a capital sum. Capital transfer tax is one of the farmer's biggest concerns

Fleet: Do you call regularly?

Sey: I come out once a quarter to collect life insurance premiums and of course I also call yearly to himself. With us you're not just a number. review the house and farm insurance.

Fleet: Robert, do you see Allen as somebody trying always to sell you an insurance policy, or do you see him more as a friend and adviser?

Barclay: Oh more as a friend. He's not ramming it down your throat all the time.

Fleet: Is he good at settling claims? Barclay: Pretty good. Two recent claims were dealt with fairly efficiently. The porch in front of the house blew down in a storm.

Fleet: He's done a good job for you, and you feel you've got a good deal?

Barclay: Aye.

Fleet: Allen, how big is your area? Sey: About 33 square miles, consisting of mainly

Fleet: Do they rely on you for all their insurance? Sey: I have probably more farm calls than 80% of my competitors and therefore I concentrate more on

that side of the business. Fleet: Apart from the merits of the actual policy you sell, what is the most important thing that makes

you so successful in your job? Sey: The service the Prudential gives to its client. If there's a claim, Mr. Barclay picks up the phone and I'm up there probably the same day. I assist him generally in filling in the claim forms whereas many

insurance offices leave the policyholder to fill it in The Prudential's annual report is now available from the Publicity Department, Prudential Assurance Company Limited, 142 Holborn Bars; London ECIN 2NH.

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PARLIAMENT, April 21, 1980.

Bank could help

Industry in the north-west looked

to the Government for a more positive policy than the one at present extended to the textile industry. Mr Frank White (Bury and Ratcliffe, Leb) said when he opened a debate on the problems

or the area.

He said the region had some of the finest natural resources and was rightly viewed as one of the centres of the industrial revolution.

More than 10,005 jobs a year had been lost in the textile industrial regions of the last 50 years.

try for each of the last 50 years. The uncontrolled contraction of this industry was of concern to the people of the north-west in other industries.

The regeneration of the indus-trial base of the region should be the highest priority. Other indus-tries required a high degree of investment that would not be forthcoming from the private sec-

Their needs could not be fobbed-off with some Conservative Central

off with some Conservative Central Office clicies of restoring investment, regenerating self-help, or allowing so-called dying industries to go down the plughole on the basis that new ones would take their place.

The Conservative Party ought to talk to the sharp end of industry and ask the salesmen and marketing men which other countries in the western world were embarking on this lunacy of free market forces and non-governmental intervention.

vention.

Their international competitors were laughing at Britain with its doie queues and bankruptcy courts.

Every other trading nation in the proof of the production of the proof.

firms in north-west

Local elections: Yorkshire Liberals confident

Conservatives and Labour fight over impact of cuts on region

district council elections on An additional ward makes a May 1. All three main parties total of 99 seats, three in each are convinced that they are on ward. a wanting streak and that sur-prises, if nur shocks, will emerge on May 2.

yet burst upon ratepayers, but sufficient forward planning has been carried out to let it be known that both Labour and Conservative candidates will fight the election on national issues and their undoubted impact on the regions, while the Liberals will concentrate on domestic issues dictated at local

hevel. Harold Sims, Yorkshire regional organizer of the Labour Party, said quire flatly: "In South Yorkshire there will be no change. Labour will retain control of Sheffield, Doncaster, Rotherbam and Barnsley". No one seems particularly een to argue heatedly with

keen to argue heatedly with that view except, perhaps, Mr Stephen. Whitehead, the regional organizer for the Liberals, who suggested that for the first time in memory a couple of Labour seats in the Tickhill and Rossington wards of Dancastar might fall to the Inckhill and Rossington wards of Doncaster might fall to the Liberais. There had been considerable Liberal activity in the Doncaster area, he said.

Mr Sims admitted that West Yorkshire, which comprises Leeds, Bradford, Calderdale, Kirklees and Wakefield councils, looked like being the most interesting of fights.

interesting of fights Of those, Leeds City looks particularly intriguing. The council membership comprises 44 Labour, 44 Conservative and At York, the Conservatives eight Liberal members. Boun- are fairly confident of retain-

By Ronald Kershaw

If confidence is the keystone of marginal wards of success, the Yorkshire region and the whole of the council is moving towards some fas-will have to seek reelection cinating fights in the city and instead of the usual one-third.

district council elections on An additional ward makes a

Labour supporters are supremely confident that they will take control of Leeds, but Election campaigns have not the marginal nature of some of the redrawn wards makes the Liberals equally confident. are fielding 93 candidates in Leeds and we are looking for a large number of gains 3. Mr Whitehead said.

Whitehead said.

He was confident that throughout the region the Liberal base vote would increase. "Since the General-Election, the indications have been that we shall make substantial progress, particularly in Leeds, York and Sheffield",

The Labour Party is looking The Labour Party is looking for advances in Bradford, where, Mr Sims said: "If the swing is big enough we shall take control". The same could apply in Calderdale where there is a new ward and membership of the council will increase from 51 to 54. The present constitution of Calderdale Council is 26 Con-servatives. 18 Labour and seven Liberals. There are 20 Conservative candidates, 21
Labour, 16 Liberals and one
each from the Ecology Party. the Communist Party and the

There are three UDI candidates at Kirklees (Unite for Dewsbury's Independence) seeking a severing of ties from Kirklees and restoring the old Dewsbury Corporation's former independence.

ing control. They have 23 seats, Labour has 13 and the Liberals nine. Here again the Liberals are looking for an advance. Wakefield is Labour controlled and the indications are that it will remain so, according to Mr Sims.

The alleged iniquities of the overnment will form the main plank of the Labour Party's Mr Sims said that cuts in local government expenditure, particularly those in education which had meant increased costs of school meals, school and the like, heavily with trave! weigh

parents. The actions of the Govern ment and the effect of its measures on the man in the street are upheld by the Conservatives as a recipe for vote winning. Conservative supwho are most vociferous against the cuts are those people who are in receipt of

the money".

Mr Eric Ward, Conservative Central Office agent for Yorkshire, said: "We are pleased with our early canvass returns. People were expecting a rough Budget and found that it was not as painful as they expected.
Although they do not come
under a Conservative label,
ratepayers' candidates at Barnsley are cashing in on the government cuts and the increases in local rates invosed to maintain local government

Barnsley Ratepayers, Association for the first time is making a determined effort to gain control of the council. contesting 18 of the 22 seats. It holds 18 of the council's 60 seats and will defend six of

dote queees and bank upty coals.

Every other trading nation in the
world gave its industries support.

The north-west deserved better
treatment than this, particularly
from the Government, for no other
reason than the fact that the past
wealth generated in the area had
never been fairly regenerated back never been fairly regenerated back to it.

The region accounted for 11.3 per cent of the United Kingdom's gross national product and its industries contributed on a massive scale to the nation's exports. Their textiles contributed £1,700m to exports, but the Government's treatment of this region's greater potential was to launch an attack on the region which could only be described as an economic blitz-krieg.

krieg.

It was a wonder that the toler-

It was a wonder that the tolerance and good humour of the region's people had not broken before now. The Government's actions over the past 11 months were stretching the tolerance of the most moderate.

Almost everything that people in the region had worked for all their lives was being eroded so that the Government could indulge in free marketism and transfer of weslith to pay the affluent.

The Prime Minister and her Government were playing a dangerous game. It would receive the censure it fully deserved at the local elections on May 1 when people would vote against the reckless folly being perpetrated against them.

against them.

The Prime Minister had recently said it would be foolish to
change the treatment and everyone felt ill after a major opera-

one rest in after 2 major operation.

On May 1 (he said) the message will be quite clear. The north-west is receiving the wrong treatment, it is the wrong hospital, and above all it is the wrong doctor. Sir Walter Clegg (North Fylde, C)

Sir Walter Clegg (North Fylde, C) said the Government's policy of setting industry free and setting up enterprise zones would have more effect than pouring in state money, subsidy upon subsidy, because it was the businessmen facing difficulties in the northwest who had to pay for such subsidies.

Mr James Dunn (Liverpool, Kirk-dale, Lab) said that events in the north-west ought to be highlighted

onth-west ought to be highlighted to give the Government an opportunity to rethink its programme. Merseyside was suffering gravely from rising unemployment. The rise was alarming.

He welcomed the announcement of the Liverpool inner city partnership scheme, but he had yet to see any tangible evidence that the Government intended to make that programme realistic. Private industry had failed Merseyside.

What Merseyside required was not sympathy, but action. Private industry had never been able to fulfil the needs and requirements of the area. Unless the Government came forward and reversed the present trend, the impact on Merseyside would be grievous and job losses would rise further.

Mrs Elaine Kellett-Rowman (Lan-

job losses would rise further.

Mrs Elaine Kellett-Rowman (Lancaster, C) said that if MPs wanted industry to go to the north-west the last thing they wanted to do was to perpetuate the Ena Sharples mood as Mr White had dode. There was no disputing that for many years the north-west had been starved of resources compared with the more prosperous south-east.

Many firms were still adversely affected by unfair American imports and the close monitoring of these imports was essential, especially for textiles and shoes. They were also hit by dumped imports from Eastern Europe.

Mr Kenneth Marks (Manchester.

Mr Kenneth Marks (Manchester. Gorton, Lab) said it was not good enough that administrative and technical jobs should be concentred in the south-east.

The loss of assisted area status meant the improvement of derelict land was in danger.

land was in danger. land was in danger.

Mr Tom Arnold (Hazel Grove, C) said that most people in the northwest were employed by small and medium sized businesses. The Government was trying to produce an increase in the profits of these businesses so that there could be fresh investment and jobs. What the north-west needed more than arything else was more jobs.

Mr Stanley Thorne (Preston, South, Lab) said in the Preston

Loan from European on police station by IRA

tar attack at Newry police station, during the weekend was expressed by Mr Michael Alison, Minister of State for Northern Ireland, in a

which put at risk the lives and limbs of ordinary members of the public. Intensive police investigations into the outrage were con-tinuing.

parked in such a perimeter so as to stop a repetition of this incident and deny terrorists the opportunity of setting off explosives with a timing device? tiles. Perhaps trade ministers might be prepared to allow the textile industry to second paid employees to the anti-dumping

interest rates.

Mir Arthur Davidson (Accringmn Lab) said the quality of life in his arta was being eroded. The cuts had meant that here and there a library was closing, or there were less tacilities for a sports centre, or there were less home helps available; these were things which an area which was on balance low paid needed and valued.

Mr Parket Atlant (Dates North

and Lancashire area the textile in-dustry was virtually dead. What was there to replace it? Without British Aerospace and British Ley-land the Presion area would be in considerable difficulties but what

were the consequences for the future of relying on these two particular industries?

The Conservatives nationally and locally were consistent and their aim was clear; to destroy the wel-

gimmicky and immoral and in cer

Labour, at local level, would be faced with tremendous problems in providing the sort of services

which people were entitled to-expect, given the sort of cuts imposed by the Government.

Mr John Lee (Nelson and Colne,

C) said that there was a strong case for more effective action against dumping of foreign tex-

unit.
The Government should take

advantage of public sector buying power to buy British textiles. Above all they needed lower

interest rates.

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Liberals were inconsistent

circumstances downright

Mr Robert Atkins (Preston, North, C) said the attitude of the northwest as evinced in the area he represented was one they should perhaps cultivate and present more widely to the country as a whole; that attitude was that they were not prepared to spend what they had not got.

had not got.

Mr Tom McNally (Stockport, South, Lab) said small businessmen who voted Conservative did not imagine there would be a more than doubled rate of inflation, a unique record level of MLR held for a unique period of time, and increased VAT. A government could rarely have destroyed business confidence so effectively.

Mr Michael Meacher (Oldham, West, Lab) said that to preserve the more selective and discriminatory approach the Government should consider pressing for an industry-based rather than a purely area-based criterion for assistance. That would have the considerable merit of concentrating aid on the textile industry.

Mr Anthony Steen (Liverpool, Wavertree, C) said the uncertainty of whether the Government was going to intervene was making it difficult for the small firm to take informed decisions. It was the absence of dependable information as to how local and central government were going to move forward which was preventing the small firm from investing and the major financial institutions from finding restorates prepared to find risk

ent agency for the north-consideration on radress-

vision between the north-west and other areas.

this way it was moving towards a policy of giving help to those areas

Lord Wells-Pestall said there was a lack of understanding, sympathy and knowledge here.

The amendment was rejected by

Bill through

The debate was concluded.

customers prepared to fund risk capital. There had to be intervention to free the controls and enable firms to create wealth. Mr Charles Merris, for the Opposi-tion (Manchester, Openshaw, Lab), said they had seen the deci-mation of the Lancashire textile industry. Only 55,500 lobs now remained out of the 325,000 origi-nally employed in the industry. The plight of the industry had never been more critical. Mills were still closing at the rate of one a week. The very survival of the Wales?

from the mess left by our predea week. The very survival of the textile industry was at stake.

The decision of the Secretary of State for industry (Sir Keith Joseph) to withdraw assisted area status from areas in the region and to abolish the North West Economic Planning Council was short-sighed and insenditive. It was a political lick in the teeth for a region and a community which had enough problems already. The region needed industrial regeneration not industrial stagnation.

The Government should consider setting up a development agency for the north-west which would act as a focal point for inward investment and generate the capital

Mr Edwards—I hope they do and perhaps one Labour MP will say whether they support this lunatic step which can only do more damage to the economy in Wales. as a focal point for inward invest-ment and generate the capital essential for industrial expansion. He wanted tougher action on textile imports, an examination of the statistical basis for granting assisted area status, consideration given to the establishment of a development agency for the northdevelopment agency for the norm-sest and consideration on redress-ing the imbalance in education, housing, health, and hospital pro-

and employment between this year and 1982-83?
We obviously support the trade unions and the people of Wales in their determination and in their action they propose for May 14. action they propose for May 14. Mr Edwards—His statement will do considerable damage to the Welsh economy. It is she kind of encouragement and incitentent to industrial disruption and damage that can only be harmful to Wales and its people along with the type of language used by Opposition MPs about the creation of industrial deserts.

It seems to be the object of

It seems to be the object of Opposition MPs to worsen the at-mosphere in Wales and to make things more difficult.

vision between the north-west and other areas.

Mr David Mitchell, Under Secretary for Industry (Basingstoke, C) said he recemby signed an agreement in Luxembourg with the European Investment Bank for £20m which was available at 1½ per cent rate of interest fixed for seven years. MPs might find it useful to draw the availability of this money to the attention of both small and large businesses in their areas.

The money had been broken down to parcels of investment of £17,000. The totality of the investment was to be £34,000 balf of which would come from the European Investment Bank at 11 per cent plus 1 or 2 per cent insurance cover against changes in the exchange rate. Against the background of current interest rates this was valuable.

The Government had brought in changes which concentrated assistance on the special development areas in a way not done before. On coming to office the Conservaires found 40 per cent of the country had assisted area status and on the criteria employed well over 50 per cent would have had it by new. Spread too thinly it was of little value to the development areas, In this way it was moving towards a policy of giving help to those areas Businessmen's airport at

Mr Iver Scambrook (Bromley, Orpington, G) asked the Secretary of State for Trade, for a statement on the future of Biggin Hill Air.

for Norman Tebbit, Under Secre-tary, said in a written reply: The London Borough of Bromley have recently announced their intention on develop the airport's facilities. recently announced their intention to develop the airport's facilities for business aviation within constraints designed to protect the local environment. They expect that the number of business flights would increase but the total number of aircraft movements would decline.

This proposal is consistent with the recommendation of the White Paper on airports policy that Biggin Hill should be developed as a major business aviation airport for the London area.

the amendment was rejected by 95 votes to 62—Government majority, 33. Parliamentary notices House of Commons House of Lords

Minister condemns callous attack

has been completed.

Mr Enoch Fewell (South Down, Off U)—The greatest contribution the Government could make from the Government could make to the contribution of a repetition It was a callous attack, he said,

Mr Brynner John, Opposition, spokesman on Northern Ireland (Pontypridd, Lab)—It is disturbeing that the agrack was launched from a by no means inconspicuous vehicle by what I understand was a timing device. Does he know how long it was parked at this site?

Does he accept there is a case. for either preventing parking within a certain distance of police stations or for regular checks by the police to prevent vehicles being

iming device?

Mr Alison—I cannot give information on the time the lorry was parked on the site from which the damage was done. It is part of the investigation being conducted by the police. It was parked some distance away from the target with intervening buildings screening it.

Investigation of suspicious parked vehicles is part of the regular work of the security forces. Whether in this case routine

to this prevention of a repetition of this and simila revenus is to desist from behaviour which con-vers to the IRA the message that the status and future of Northern Ireland may be radically altered. Mr Alisen - It is in the mind of the Government as all times to conduct all his political and security operations with a view to maximizing the effectiveness of security for the innovent members of the public in

M but judgment nothing that the on our jungment nothing that the Government's, policies are at present engaged in doing in the way undermines the security and defence effort we are making in the province.

the province.

The Rev Ian Paisley (North Antom, Dem U)—What steps will the Government take to stop the genocide of the Protestants of the border areas of Fermanagh where the most prominent Protestant citizens are being gunned down week by week, until homesteads and farmgreads are bereft of the fathers of the families, and then later their families are systematically wiped out?

My discontinuous that point The

Mr Alison—I note that point. The Government is acutely aware that one life lost is unacceptable. The security operations it is conducting in Fermanagh and elsewhere are

hot has find the investigation (beca completes.

Enoch Pewell (South Down, UT)—The greatest contributions of the Government could make the prevention of a repetition that and similar revents is to the IRA the message that spitus and future of Northern land may be radically altered.

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Mr Peter Robinson (Befrast, East, Dem U)—This act and many like it fail to cause death more because of the bad way they are handled by the IRA rather than because of the security the Government its providing for the people of Northern Ireland.

Mr Alisen—I must dispute the idea that it is the blundering ineffi-ciency of the terrorists which has led to the relief of innocent people in the province from the effects of

Both in the Republic and the Both in the Republic and the province the efforts of the security forces on both sides of the border have resulted not only in considerable finds of arms and ammunition but led to the inhibition and aborting of a number of potential attacks on members of the public which, but for the efficiency of the covert and investigatory work of the security forces, might have resulted in explosions.

resulted in explosions.

The steady downward trend in attacks against the province in recent months has been the result of successful work by the security forces, both the police and army.

Labour MP supports TŪC day of action

Support by Labour MPs for the TUC's Da yof Action proposed for May 14 would do considerable additional damage to the Welsh economy, Mr Nichelas Edwards, Secretary of State for Wales, said during questions.

Mr Barry Jones (Flist, East, Lab) had asked if the Secretary of State was satisfied with the level of economic activity in Wales.

hir Edwards—No. The Govern-ments' economic policies are designed to reduce inflation and create the conditions for soundly based economic expansion.

hased economic expansion.

Mr Jones—Is not a consequence of the budget, for Wales declining economic activity and a likely surge upwards in unemployment? Will not this hurt the economy of Wales given the steel cutbacks already? Did the Secretary of State make it clear to his Cabinet collexgues the budget would be a blow to the prospects of the working people of Wales?

Mr Edwards—I do not accept the

people or waters:

Mr Edwards—I do not accept the
budget is demaging to Wales. The
budget is designed to restore
economic health from the mess left by the previous government. Mr Geraint Howell (Cartigan, L)—After 12 months at the Welsh Office is the Secretary of State in a position to say who is responsible for the high unemployment in

water Mr Edwards—In the first brief I was given on emering office I was warned that unamployment would go on rising substantially. After all, unemployment more than doubled under the previous government. It is going to take time to change around the Welsh economy

Costors.

Sir Anthony Meyer (Flint, West, C)—In tiew of the great-interest of Opposition MPs in economic marters, perhaps they would indicate whether they support the Secretary of State's request to call off the mational suborage of May 14.

damage to the economy in Wales. Mr Alec Jones (Rhonder, Lab)—I am sure he will note the unanimity among us about the dismissaction with the level of economic activity in Wales. With 92,000 anthripped and 50,00 redundancies announced since the Secretary of State took office, how can be justify the curs in public expenditure of \$25m to Wales to industry, energy, trade and employment between this year and 1982-83?

Biggin Hill

major business aviation surport for the London area.

The Government is concerned that there should be adequate provision for business aviation, for which there is a growing demand, particularly in the south-east of England. I therefore support Bromley's initiative and my department is now discussing with the Bromley Council how best it can help with the provision of advice and technical assistance to ensure that any development takes account of both operational and environmental requirements.

Circular to councils on supply of land

State for the Environment, what advice he was planning to give to advice he was planning to give to local authorides about the supply of land for private house building. Mr Michael Heseltine sald in a written reply: I have now issued a circular about this to all local authorities in England. It does two main things.

First it asks authorities to ensure that there is, at all times, a five year supply of land for private housebuilding. The amount and

and proposals in approved struc-ture and local plans.
Second, it asks authorities to cooperate with local builders and their representative organizations in carrying out assessments of indi-vidual sites to ensure that the land making up the five year supply is both suitable and genuinely avail-able for development within that period.

able for neveroperiod.

This pronged approach keeps land supply firmly within the context of approved planning policies and, at the same time, provides a mechanism for ensuring that those effectively imple-

Checking 'hotel' rigs used in North Sea

Mr Austin Mitchell (Grimsby, Lab) asked the Secretary of State for Energy, how many hotel rigs were in use in the British North Sez oilfields; how many of these were purpose-bullt as hotels; and how many were converted from other uses.

Mr Hamish Gray, Minister of State, said in a written reply: There are six "hore!" units in the British sector of the North Sea at present; all were converted, five from drilling installations and the other from a pipe-laying barge.

Drilling installations and fixed accommodation relations and Drilling installations and fixed accommodation platforms are subject to statutory survey each year. These surveys include examination of selected areas for fatigue damage. A major survey concerning all areas is undertaken at least every five years. Additional surveys may be required by my department or the certifying authorities.

Floating accommodation units certification and survey; however as a result of the Burgoyne inquiry into offshore safety, measures are being taken to bring these units within the scheme also. Ju the

Safety standards are under constaut review and in particular my department is a major sponsor of an international research programme into the fatigue, fracture and buckling of welded steel off-shore structures; the results of this programme are being incorporated into the survey requirements as they become available. The report of the inquiry into the Alexander Kielland disaster will be cond-Kielland disaster will be considered in any future reviews of

Civil Service staff cuts

Mr Michael Brown (Brigg and tary of State for the Environment, what were the proposed reductions employed in his department; and what reduction so far had been carried out.

Mr Michael Heseltine said in a written repoly: Between May 1, 1979 and April 1 this year the total number of staff employed in my

department fell by 3,841 or by 7.4 per cent. The reduction encompasses, in part, the saving of some 5,983 staff announced by the Lord President of the Concil on December 6 last, to be achieved in my department by 1982-83.

dit Additionally, arising from my review of the functions of the Department, I intend to make a further saving of at least 3 per cent of current posts during the source of the 1980-81 financial war.



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Noise tax is urged for urban peace By Pearce Wright

The case for a noise control velopment of quieter motor vehicles, aircraft and factories was outlined in London yester-day by Mr Ariel Alexandre of the environment department of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD).

The proposal will be put next month to a ministerial meeting on noise abatement policies. It is one of several to result from an international survey of urban areas by the OECD which showed that the level of noise would continue to increase to the year 2000 unless direct

action was taken. Mr Alexandre said yesterday that noise was the only environment pollutant that would continue to increase because noise abatement policies were ticularly bad for Britain and

France. On present trends noise levels in London and Paris will double. The calculations for the United Kingdom are based on investigations including the pattern of noise in large, medium and small towns and cities by the government Road Research

Laboratory and the Building Research Station. Mr Alexandre said that motor traffic provided the outstending difficulty for most European countries. Proposals to reduce the noise levels with the introduction of tougher regulations between 1985 and 1990 were being drafted for the meeting of ministers.

That was being done in the face of powerful lobbying. The motor industry in particular was resisting change.

More than 100 million people in the 24 OECD member coun-tries were exposed to an unac-ceptable level of noise of more than 65 decibels, Mr Alexandre

The OECD surveys when measuring the effect of noise in terms of stress and other effects on health adopt 45 decibels as the threshold above which people have to raise their voices unreasonably to

Converse.

The level that should not be exceeded in order to protect sleepers is 35 decibels. In a well insulated house, however, a noise level outside of 55 deci-bels might be tolerable without interfering with sleep.

Police decide not to prosecute Captain Phillips

From Our Correspondent Wiltshire police confirmed yesterday that they will not prosecute Captain Mark Phillips over a claim that he kicked a stubborn horse during a cross-

country event. Their investigation followed a complaint by Mrs Jean Pyke, aged 58, of Havant Road, Hay-ling Island, Hampshire, who saw newspaper photographs of the alleged incident at Sherston, near Malmesbury. A police report was sent to the Director of Public Prosecu-

tions last week. Princess Anne's husband, who was among those interviewed by police, denied he was cruel to the horse. The police said yesterday:
"The Chief Constable of Wiltshire, Mr Kenneth Mayer, has
now received from the Director of Public Prosecutions his view that the evidence presented to him in the case of Captain Mark Paillips is wholly insufficient to justify criminal proceedings for the alleged mistreatment of his horse".

Captain Phillips has been told

of the decision.

of going to work ily and it was explained that the purpose was simply to help him get back into the routine of getting up in the morning and doing a day's Stopping an unemployed person's work.

If the person had become content to be supported by the community, far from causing hardship the sanction of stopping his benefit would be very mutch in his own long-term interest and help to concentrate his mind wonderfully.

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Getting back to routine

Stopping an unemployed person's supplementary benefit if he failed to attend a reestablishment centre where he would be helped to get back into a working routine was in his own long-term interest, Lord Sandys, Captain, Yeomen of the Guard, said during the resumed committee stage of the Social Security Bill, which has passed the Commons. Lord Wells-Pestell, for the Opposi-tion, had moved an amendment to

too, had moved an amenament to ensure that the benefit should not be withheld automatically but only if a person failed to attend a centre for a whole week.

He said withholding benefit should be done spatingly where there were dependents.

Lord Sandys said the person was invited to attend a course recommend.

The Consular Fees Bill was read the third time and passed. invited to attend a course voluntaris call

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the cars' remarkable stability and impressive roadholding. Even the door mirrors are specially contoured to deflect spray and dirt away from the side windows.

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insulation, but by the suspension itself.

Springs and shock absorbers, for example, have been

is built in, not bolted on.

mounted closer to the wheels than is customary.

They react faster and more effectively to the smallest movement and successfully iron out those irritating small bumps that can be so intrusive.

While the bodywork itself has a natural resonance too high to be excited by road vibrations.

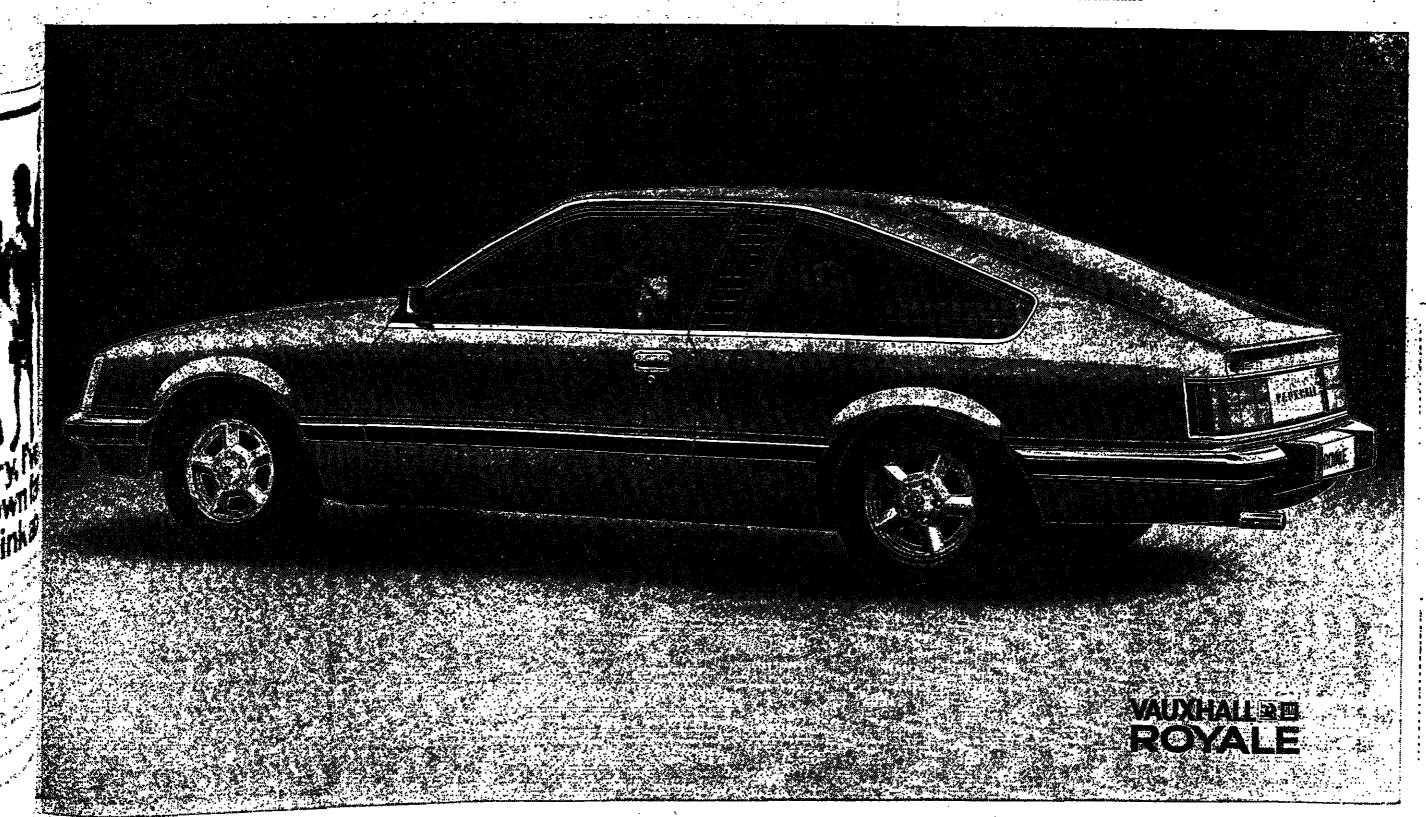
The engine, a silky 2.8 litre 140 bhp six-cylinder unit, is additionally steadied by two diagonally positioned hydraulic dampers for further smoothness.

And automatic transmission is, of course, standard on both cars (with manual available at no additional cost). Inside, the Royale is one of the few cars that allows the driver to achieve not just a good driving position, but the ideal one.

You can adjust the driver's seat for height, as well as for reach and rake and the steering wheel is tiltable.

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WEST EUROPE

Britain still waits for **EEC** refund decision

From Michael Hornsby Luxembourg, April 21

Despite recent signs of com-promise in Mrs Thatcher's battle to secure a drastic reduc-tion in Britain's contribution to the EEC budget, finance little progress here today towards resolvin gthe two key issues of the amount and duration of financial relief for

Speaking to journalists after the meeting. Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, none the less expressed confidence that the means of achieving a solution to the British budgetary problem had been established. It was now up to heads of government at their summit meeting on April 27 to 28 to take the final

It was agreed by the ministers that the two elements in a final solution should be a modifica-tion of the Dublin mechanism of 1975, which reimburses countries contributing an excessive share of budget revenue, supplemented by extra EEC expenditure in Britain to boost the current low level of British receipts from the budget.

A modified Dublin mechanism would given Britain a refund on its gross contribution of about £300m, according to calculations made by the European Commission. Any further help would thus have to come from increased EEC spending on agreed projects in Britain. M René Monory, the French Economics Minister, for the first time gave top-level French support for this approach, but at the same time insisted that any special aid agreed for Eritain should not last beyond the end of 1982. There was vide concurrence in this view,

were prepared to consider an At one point Sir Geoffrey said Eritain would be satisfied to get half the money it wanted from the Dublim mechanism and half from extra EEC spending, implying total relief to only £500m. But later, when pressed to say whether this was the right conclusion to draw, he denied that he had use dthe word "half" in a mathematical

sense.
Sir Geoffrey defended his arrangements for reducing the British budget deficit should last for at least six years so that the problem would not recur

after a few vears. The finance ministers did not even get into serious discussion of how much aid Britain should get, and indeed much of the meeting was spent haggling over how to measure the size of

how to measure the size of Eritain's net contribution.

Sir Geoffrey, drawing on calculations made by the Commission argued that Britain's net contribution lay between \$1,025m and \$1,100m, adding that the upper figure was now the more realistic because the rising value of the pound had rising value of the pound had climinated the EEC subsidies previously paid on British food

By contrast, the French produced figures purporting to show that the real level of Britain's net contribution was only around £840m, partly because of the carry-over from last year of funds earmarked for Britain which had not been

Belgium and Luxembourg also argued that their receipts from the budget were exaggerated by the funds they received to finance the running of the EEC institutions locate on their territories, such as the Euroean Parliament, the European Commission an dthe Council of Ministers.

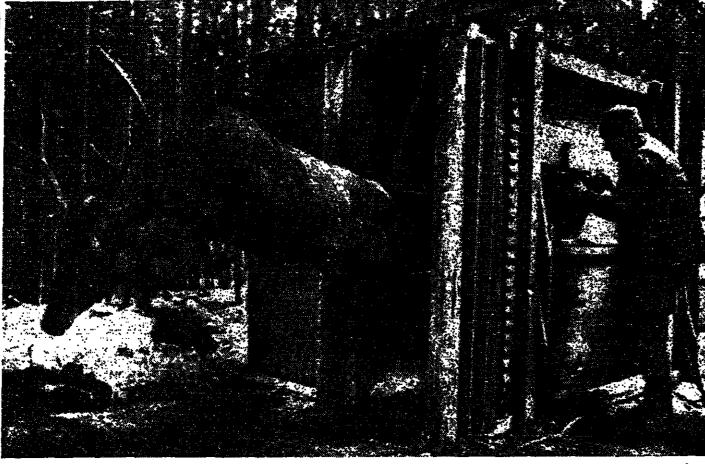
They calculated Britain's share of these administrative expenses at more than £100m, and said that the estimate of Britain's net budget contribu-tion should be revised downwards by this amount.

Squatters may disrupt Dutch royal ceremony

From Our Correspondent Amsterdam, April 21

Dutch squatter groups are planning to hold demonstrations in Amsterdam on April 30, the day when Queen Juliana will formally abdicate and her eldest daughter. Crown Princess Beatrix, will be invested as the new queen.

Although a spokesman for the groups did not divulge the nature of the demonstrations. he hinted that they would be aimed at disrupting the cerenot been recovered.



A young stag leaping to freedom in the Bavarian National Park after being tagged by scientists who capture them at the end of winter to study their movements and feeding habits.

M Mitterrand in fresh leadership struggle

From Charles Hargrove

Paris, April 21 M François Mitterrand, the Socialist leader, has sharply reined in M Michel Rocard, his younger challenger for the party nomination in next year's party nomination in next year's as much a matter of power as of presidential elections, and doctrine. They consider their insisted in a radio round-table debate last night that he was the best guarantor of the rand's candidature in next debate last night that he was the best guarantor of the Socialists' enduring unity.

It was as broad a hint as he has given so far that he would stand himself, although offi-rially the Socialist candidate is not to be chosen until next

autumn at the earliest.
This latest episode in the subteranean struggle for the party leadership between the "young Turks" in the entourage of the aging party leader, who is 63, and M Rocard was touched off by the latter's tour of Socialist party branches throughout the country in recent weeks.

The tour's purpose is to improve M Rocard's standing which has outstripped M Mitter-rand's in public opinion gener-ally for some months now within the party machine and win over to his side a majority of the party militants, with whom the choice of the party andidate will ultimately lie. Many of them still look upon him and his more modern, pragmatic, and undoctrinaire approach to Socialist policy as

Party's election

hopes fade with

death of leader

From Our Own Correspondent

a deviation from social demo-

As for the "young Turks" in the party leadership, their hostility to M Rocard is at least year's presidential contest, and are therefore determined to

stop M Rocard at all costs.
Recently, M Lionel Jospin,
the national secretary of the
Socialist Party, and therefore
its number Two, who has never
made any bones of his deepcerted personal antipathy for seated personal antipathy for M Rocard, hinted that he himself would stand as the party candidate if M Mitterrand should decide not to stand.

Last week he sent a sharply worded letter calling M Rocard to order for a number of public statements in which he had "caricatured the standpoint of the First Secretary and of other members of the party leadership" by insisting on their hidebound allegiance to the historic Socialist tradition of state control.

M Rocard was also taken to task for his message to the Quebec Minister for Inter-governmental Affairs in favour of sovereignty, and for acceptof sovereignty, and for accepting an invitation "of the Con-

Thatcher" to visit London last week, "without any mandate"

Finally, for good measure, M
Laurent Fabius, the party
spokesman, stated that the
party's Executive Committee party's Executive Committee
had received several complaints
from local party branches that
they had only learnt of M
Rocard's planned visits to
them through the press.

After the ground had been
prepared by his trusted lieuten-

ants, it was the turn of M Mit-terrand himself to weigh in, and tighten up the bolts" of party

discipline, as he puts it.
"It is normal that a member of the party minority should ex-press views which differed from the majority's. What is not normal, is that the minority should speak like the majority,"

No party was a liberal as the Socialist Party. Everything could be said and is said within it. But when it spoke out as such, it could only do so with one voice. A member of the minority could not do so without a mandate in the face of out a mandate. In the face of the mass of talent which the Socialist Party had displayed, someone was needed to keep it together, to preserve its unity and maintain its political line, he emphasized.

There is still no official

dential elections. But there have been two unofficial ones for some months now. M Mit-terrand, earlier this year, tried to force M Rocard into declar-ing himself openly—and thus cast himself as a divisive force in the party—by releasing him from the solemn undertaking he had given the party congress at Metz last spring not to stand if the First Secretary allowed

his name to go forward.

But M Rocard has been meading very cautiously, and has continued to adopt a low posture which has been so clearly adto economic policy, pertol rationing and the like. When he is on the stump, he cuts away at the President, and the crowds vantageous to him so far. Last February, he merely said that he would accept the party's nomination if he got it. This time he has foiled the

attempt to brand him as a man who did not respect either the rules of party discipline or the party line, and rather ostenta-tiously cancelled his visits to three party branches scheduled

for the coming weeks.

In so doing, he hopes to compel the porty leadership to state openly whether or nit it will allow him to stand as a candi-date. In the words of the in-dependent Socialist newspaper Le Matin, which is sympathetic to his cause, he hopes to get the militants who support him to impose his candidature on the party leadership, if need be.

London visit helps Bonn opposition candidate for Chancellor to build up statesma nlike image

The chances of the Christian Bonn, April 21

Democrats ousting the Social Democratic-Free Democratic coalition in the North-Rhine Westphalia elections on May 11 appeared to be diminished today after the sudden death of Herr Heinrich Könnler, their leader.

The outcome of the poll will strongly influence the outcome of the federal elections in the autumn.

With Herr Köppler's death from a heart attack, the party leadership passes to Professor Kurt Biedenkopf, who is clever politician and a leading economist, but who lacks the public appeal of Herr Köppler.

Two held after Rembrandt

portrait found From Our Own Correspondent

Paris, April 21

Rembrandt's portrait of his brother, which was stolen on April 9 from the National Gallery in Oslo, has been traced by police in Paris, along with two Norwegians wanted for questioning about the painting's

The two men were said to their hotel bedroom in north-west Paris while west Paris, while seeking to make contact with a potential

buyer. A self portrait by Rembrandt, stolen from a private collector in Paris in January, has still

Herr Strauss woos centre voters

From Patricia Clough

The spotlight in the West German pre-election scene shifts to London this week when Herr Franz Josef Strauss, the Opposition candidate for the chancellorship, arrives on a two-day visit.

Appearances in foreign capitals are an important ritual for aspiring Germany leaders, giving them stature and possibly votes back home. That applies particularly to Herr Strauss, whose greatest talents lie in foreign affairs. He has already visited Paris.

Washington and Bucharest and a trip to Moscow would be greatly appreciated; but so far no invitation has been forth-coming. Some of the glamour however has been taken from his visits to France, the United States and Britain; each time his rival, Herr Helmut Schmidt, the Chancellor, had been there only a short while before.

Talks with Mrs Thatcher, Lord Carrington, a lecture to parliamentary foreign irs committee, interviews affairs committee interviews So far, however, Herr Strauss and a press conference on Thursday and Friday will cerrainly do no harm to Herr porters in the Baden Württem- not yet found the right touch

tering of revolutionary pamph-lets from hitherto unknown

Strauss's efforts to build up his berg and Saarland election camimage here as a statesman. For several months Herr Strauss has been cultivating a controlled, thoughtful, moderare style in strong contrast to party leaders there have seen

his usual ebullient, controversial, often extreme and unpredictable ways. He has avoided the outbursts and outrageous remarks for

which he has become famous. To the wonderment of many he has passed up the chance of tearing the Chancellor to pieces over his Afghanistan policy, on the ground that the international situation was too serious to exploit for party political

Thus he has sacrificed what public opinion analysts say are his rwo main assets, his image as a man for times of crisis and as a foreign policy wizard.

Herr Strauss, since he is unlikely to lose his traditional supporters on the right wing, is the centre, who mistrust him and might be tempted to go over to the coalition parties or

simply not to vote. far, however, Herr Strauss the statesman has gone over like augumn.

Leaflets found after Portugal bombings

paigns this spring admit that he has made virtually no impact on the public's mind.

Despite his new style, local

to it that he made only a minimum of appearances, fearing he would frighten away voters. To the disappointment of the

Christian Democrats he appears to be doing no better than the unfortunate Herr Helmut Kohl. whom he somewhat ruthlessly replaced as chancellor-candidate. As yet he is virtually in-distinguishable from the general political wallpaper.

To a certain extent Herr Strauss is holding himself back, knowing that a candidate could wear himself and his image out in the long months leading the elections. Aged 64 and his denials." no longer in top form, he may be saving his energy for the final spurt when the campaign

of the two Irishmen, who were abducted from a United Nations begins in September.
But on May 11 there are crucial Land elections in north convoy last Friday by Lebanese gunmen, Major Haddad had demanded 40,000 Lebanese Rhine-Westphakia where a poor showing for the Christian Democrats would confirm their pounds (about £5,300) or the bodies of two Irish soldiers in compensation for two men he lost in fighting with the United fears that they will lose in the Obviously Herr Strauss has

Zimbabwe Mr Kennedy sharpens to release campaign oratory 9,000 from and gains new hope prisons

From Nicholas Ashford

mon law prisoners are to be released from Zimbabwe jail during the next lew days a part of an amnesty to maindependence. An additions remission of sentence is to be granted to those prisoners where not being released imme

Either of these results would allow him to continue his campaign, although Mr Carrer is now raking in so many delegates that Mr Kennedy's chances of beating him for the nomination are steadily reced-

Mr Carter has accumulated 871 delegates and Mr Kennedy 443. The nomination requires 1,666, and whatever happens in Pennsylvania tomorrow, Mr Carter will advance farther towards that total.

smashing victory.

towards that total.

The senator could win a large majority of the popular vote and few more deleganes than Mr Carter, because of the way delegates will be distributed. The man who comes second will get more than he earned. Pennysylvania sends 185 delegates to the convention.

On the same day, Missouri is holding party courses and Mr Carter will probably win most of the 77 delegates chosen. Mr Carter has packed up useful numbers of delegates from conventions over the weekend in Iowa, Oldshoma, Virginia and Mississippi.

In Pennsylvania, at any rate, Mr Kennedy seems to have Mr Carter did not deign to campaign himself, but his spokesmen made a point of attacking Senator Kennedy's

Mr Carter won all the primaries and Mr Kennedy was in serious Then Senator Kennedy re-verted to the old traditions of iberal Democrats, propsed a freeze of prices and wages, petrol rationing, and various welfare spending measures. Inweirare spending measures. In-flation was rising rapidly, the hostages were still in Tehran and Mr Carter's popularity was sliding down again. He did better, and carried New York

Mr Kennedy seems to have escaped from the burdens of suspicion and dislike that caused him such pain in the

earlier primaries.

Mary Jo Kopechne, the girl who was drowned in his car in Chappaquiddick 10 years ago, came from Wilkes-Barre; an industrial town in Pennsyl-Mr Kennedy has now, in his third phase of his campaign, polished up his oratory and abandoned confusing references vania, and is buried there. The crowds who have listened to the senator there do not seem to hold the incident against He has been in Pennsylvania

Meanwhile, on the Republican side, Mr Ronald Reagan, too, is worried that he might lose. Mr almost continuously for the past fortnight, making several speeches a day in the hope that he can reach and convince George Bush is putting up a spirited last dirch fight in Pennsylvania and Mr Reagan returned there last night for some through television to defeat Mr last minute campaigning.

Another defeated candidate. Mr Philip Crane, finally bowed out of the race last week and pledged his support for Mr. Reagan.

appear enthusiastic, while Mr Carter's speeches do much less well. The same pattern was Salisbury, April 21.
Mr. Robert Magabe, the
Prime Minister, announced
tomgen that about 9,000 con

observable in the last primary, in Wisconsin, which Mr Carter won easily.

The polls, as usual, are confused and no one is so rath as to predict the results of the yote. It could be very close, or Mr Kennedy could win a

diately.

Among those being freed ar all people convicted of stockheft. During the recent we more than 158,000 head of centle were rustled from whin farms at a cost, according to beef producers, of 20m Zimbalowe dollars (about \$14m) Since the fighting ended the rate of kies due to stock the lias dropped from 1,500 a weel to 500.

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those with less than 18 month to serve of a longer sentence. So far about 1,000 prisoner have been released from Kam jail near Bulawayo and abou 50 from Gwelo. Speaking of television and radio contain M television and radio consists M Mugabe said the amnesty wa being carried out in the spirit of his pre-independence broad cast to the nation in which it emphasized the need to burthe past and look to the fature. However, he said that the annesty should not be construed as condoning the criminal acts committed be those being released or as licence to commit tenther act of crime or violence. The of crime or violence. The

to give prisoners a chance to mend their ways. Mr Mugabe condemned recent acts of violence and law lessness that had marred lasweek's independence celebrations. He gave a warning that the Government, would take stern measures to deal with anyone who took the law into

their own hauds.

Police made a number of arrests over the weekend in ar attempt to quell a series of stomings, assaults and faction fights in black townships around Selisbury and other cities. Among those held were eight members of the Zanla guerrills army.

Mr. Mugabe liss accepted in principle an invitation to attend an economic meeting of

Beirut. April 21.—Ireland's new ambassador to Lebanon said today he did not believe Christian militia denials of responsibility for the killing last week of two Irish soldiers serving with the United Nations peace-keeping force.

Prom Peter Hazeffurst meeted with the break in diplomatic relations between had in diplomatic relations between had and the United States. It was night last night, the Japanese Mr. Massyoshi Ito, the Chie Broadcasting Corporation and Cabinet Secretary, said the nounced today.

Israeli-backed militiamen in South Lebanon for the soldiers'

commands the milities has denied that his men were involved and said a Muslim family, seeking revenge for their son, shot in a clash with Irish troops of the United

men. For this reason I discount

Nations during the week.

tem examinations would be carried our today on the bodies of the two Irishmen at Beirut's American university hospital. He was posted to Lebanon from Saudi Arabia and pre-sented his credentials on Satur-

Japan denial of sanctions as Tehran stops oil supply From Peter Hazelhurst

Broadcasting Corporation announced today.

Earlier Mr Masayoshi Ohira,

the Japanese Prime Minister, told Mr Mike Mansfield, the American Ambassador Tokyo, that Japan is ready to make "some sacrifices" to secure the release of the hostages in Tehran. In turn Japan hopes the United States will not use military force to resolve the crisis. Mr Obira told

the American envoy. The Iranian authorities allowed Japanese tankers to take on oil throughout the day yesterday and eight tankers, fully loaded, are said to have left for Japan before the ban

came into effect. Iranian oil accounts for 10 per cent of Japan's total order supplies. Until 'midnight Japan' was buying about 520,00 barrels Iran's output of crude.

Japan's supply of oil last week after 12 Japanese oil companies, acting on the advice of the Government, refused to meet Tehran's demands for an in-

crease of \$2.5 (just over £1) on carion of successful sauchor the price of crude. Japanese officials were at pains today to point out that Japan's policy on the price of Iranian Oil should not be con-

refusing to buy oil at higher prices. This was establishe the hostages", he said.
Japan is expected to make u

the shortfall of Iranian oil from 95-day stocks of oil reserve until afternative supplies ar ound. Mr Ito also assured busines: men that the United State Government will ask the majo

American oil companies t supply Japan with addition Mr Chira, the Prime Ministel is expected to meet Presiden Carter in Washington nes

month. He described the hok ing of the hostages in Tehra as a "challenge to internation: Ignoring the sentiments (powerful businessmen wi oppose any action which woul

ieopardize lapan's oil supplic Iran threatened to cut off Mr Ohira told the America ambassador that Japan was no prepared to make a sacrifice name of international order-Japan, the key to the app

against Iran, is apparently pruif paring a plan to ban export Tehran if the EEC approves economic boycon. The Government has alread strued as the operation of sanc- advised exporters not to dra-tions against Iran.

An official of the Manistay of the same time officials adm.

Ireland mourns murdered soldier

perhaps comes easier to the bereaved, and Ireland's steadily deteriorating relations with Israel—generally blamed here from the United Nations deaths -are producing ugly scars. Irish newspapers used to be

uniformly friendly to Israel; but no more. Dublin's popular and garish tabloid. The Sunday World, called this last weekend for a boycott of all Israeli goods, informing its troubled readers that the survivors of Hitler's holocaust could not endlessly use their history of catastrophe as an excuse for ruthlessness. "What happened 40 years ago", it said, "cannot justify Israel's arrogant aggression today." Ireland's community of 3,000

Jews, valiantly trying to defend Israel in the correspondence columns of the Irish press, feels some sympathy for this anger, but fears that it may yet have to pay for Israel's support of the Christian militiamen in southern Lebanon who shooting and killing Irish

her son lay dying in an Israeli on so sensitive an issue, washospital last week, she gave permission for his kidneys to perfectly blunt about his feelings. "We are very concerned about reactions in Ireland" he an Israeli giri. But mognanimity said. "We are a little frightened and Israel's attitude has done us no good." Little thought was given to

> party, that the United Nations mandate in Lebanon was so vague that it might place danger the lives of Irish soldiers. Even less thought was given last week to the disturbing parallels between military funerals in two adjacent Euro-pean countries. An old man at the back of St Joseph's chis morning wondered whether the cannot British felt the same when their soldiers' coffins came home from Ireland

now be experiencing the same collective grief that the British have suffered on a much greater scale over the past nine years -was taken up by the Irish Times today.

wonder if other victims of the last decade in Ireland were n worth an emergency Cabin meeting. Should we all ha thought more deeply about il massacres which have mark out our country? " it saked. It was, of course, impossib to know whether such rhough were running through the min of the mourners when the

Sunday, Looking back, some

buried Private-Griffin of the United Nations peace force Lebanon today. His coffin was Atlantic where the low bills County Galway look uncanni like the escurpments and ride around Al-Tiri.

Even the people of Galwa with the history of famine, be.

some likeness—they do no know it—to the present des tute Shia Muslims of southe. <u>Lebanon.</u> Perhaps Private Griffit family realized this as th'

stood beside his grave, on a pl.
thearrically labelled "chi monners". They remain calm until 12 soldiers fired to last salute, when the crowswayed with shock and M.

former room, as "an opera-tional error". The accident caused breakdown of the ven-tilation equipment which maintains a positive pressure in the cannot leak from their cham-bers. It also switched off cool-source of mishap at Windscale.

'Operational error' at nuclear plant | Attempt to seal oil leaks in **By Pearce Wright** Science Editor

The accident which has temporarily closed the nuclear fuel reprocessing plant at Cap La Hague, near Cherbourg, is identical to the type which oppo-nents of plans to expand the in stainless steel tanks placed Windscale factory of British in concrete silos, have been in-Nuclear Fuels for similar work say could occur there. The French accident disrupted the supply of electricity on which safety filters, alarms and other protection equipment depend-

After the breakdown was repaired only a small amount of decontamination is said to be necessary before the plant resumes production, probably within a week.

The French company Gogema describes the accident last Wednesday, a fire in the main trans-

ing pumps, electrostatic filters and monitoring equipment for the tanks containing the longterm, highly active wastes from

reprocessing.
The risks associated with vestigated by the Political Ecology Research Group at Oxford. Its first proposals on the subject came a few days before the end of the Windscale inquiry and did not receive wide attention. More recent findings by the group have been requested by Swedish and German government departments examining the dangers

of reprocessing and waste The risk is heightened be-cause the tanks storing liquid contain more than 10 times the radioactive material used in a large nuclear reactor, and in a more concentrated form, There is agreement about the hazard. plant so that nuclear materials British Nuclear Fuels has iden-

It differs with the research group about the likelihood of an accident. The consequence of a catastrophe for the public is a calculation which both groups make using the same methods, and is not in dispute. These calculations are done using a computer programme called Tirion, developed by the safety and reliability division of

the Atomic Energy Authority.
The most recent findings of the research group suggest that in the worst conditions the failure of the highly active waste storage could force the evacuation of people within a radius of about 100 miles and could make the area uninhabitable for up to 50 years.

The seriousness of the accident at Cap La Hague is the question which anti-nuclear groups would no doubt like to see explored at a public inquiry. For his part, Mr Peter Taylor, of the Political Ecology Research Group, believes it justifies the issues which the group continues to press about developments at Windscale. will work in relays.

From Our Correspondent lence, and to use armed force Lisbon, April 21 against imperialism?. and defused. Although there was some damage there were no casualties. The pamphlets were signed with a five-pointed star whose The security authorities have places in Portugal yesterday centrepiece was a hand holding not yet traced the organization were accompanied by the scat- a G3 gun, and by the printed responsible. On Friday Portugal will celeinitials FP. lets from hitherto unknown the bonds were placed outbrate the sixth anniversary of "Popular Forces". They called side shops, banks, sports the revolution which ousted the upon workers to unite to "over-throw bourgeois power by vio-Many of them were detected ceeded the Salazar dictatorship.

lence, and to use armed force and defused. Although there against imperialism". was some damage there were

Brittany tanker wreck From Ian Murray

Paris, April 21 About seven tonnes of heavy oil escapes every day from the leaking forward section of the tanker Tanio, which is lying at a depth of about 14 fathoms in the Channel 30 miles north of the Brittany coast. The costly and difficult task of sealing the leaks starts this week.

No decision has yet been taken on how to dispose of the wrecked section, which contains about 10,000 tonnes of oil. While the authorities consider between dynamiting, refloating or pumping the wreck, it has been decided to spend un to 3m francs (about £316,000) to seal it and prevent pollution of Britanny's beaches Two miniature submarines

and divers are being used for

the job. Strong currents will

make it impossible for a diver

to spend more than an hour a

day in the water and the divers

The first attempt to launch one of the submarines, the P.C. 1203, had to be abandoned yesterday because of bad weather. The craft's first task will be to take photographs of the wreck to show where oil is escaping. Then the P.C. 1803 and its diver crew will go down and seal the holes with a resin compound. The divers will also examine

the wreck for information that will be used to reach a decision on how the oil is to be removed.

President Giscard d'Estaing has agreed to meet a delegation elected representatives from the Cotes-du-Nord department on Wednesday to discuss further ways to prevent wrecks off the north coast, M Charles Josselin, pre-

sident of the regional council and a member of the delegation, said in a radio interview today: "We must know if we today : are prepared to pay and to pay a great deal for the safety of coastline".

In a state with a population of over 11 million, considerably more than Belgium, it is obviously impossible for the senator to carry the word to every voter. A lot of people Irish ambassador

enough voters personally or

Carter decisively.

From Patrick Brogan Washington, April 21 After five months of cam-

paigning for the Democratic

nomination for the Presidency. Senator Edward Kennedy and

President Carter have at last discovered the style that suits them best. They call each other

The Democratic voters of

Pennsylvania will decide tomor-row which of the two they:

dislike the most, and vote for

the other. They are not allowed to vote in the Republican primary, there are no other

candidates to get in the way, and they are perfectly aware that this will be one of the

crucial events of the 1980

In the early days, Senator Kennedy tried with a notable lack of success to propose coherent policies while simul-

taneously flailing away at the

President. This was just after the American Embassy in Tehran had been seized, and the President's popularity rose spec-

character, record and ambitions.

presidential campaign.

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love it.

discounts militia denials Beirut, April 21.—Ireland's new ambassador to Lebanon

peace-keeping force. The United Nations has described the killings as cold-blooded murder and blamed the

Major Saad Haddad, who

Nations force, was responsible. Mr Geariod O'Clerigh said: Whatever Haddad says, I was at the Irish battalion's head quarters at Tibnin when he was issuing his doomsday statements calling for financial compensation or the bodies of two Irish

A few days before the killing

Mr O'Clerigh said post-mor-

International Trade and In that they are examining legicularly said Japan's decision to lation which would permit the turn down the new Iranian price. Government to enforce sanction of \$35 a barrel "cannot be con- against Iran.

One leading member of the "some of them British Arn would not have liked to have Jewish community in Dublin personnel. . We have had heard such a comment. When anxious to remain anonymous special Cabinet meeting

the warning, two years ago, by Dr Garrer FitzGeradd, leader of the Irish Fine Gael opposition

This idea—that Ireland might

"We have seen other men in uniform killed on our soil", the newspaper said in an editorial, Griffin began sobbing pens

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Starvation drives Haitians to seek llegal refuge in Florida as drought wipes out vital crop

ort-au-Prince, April 21 A drought and famine in the mote north-western region of increase in illegal dden increase in inegal fugees, or boat people, arrivating in southern Florida. Already is year the number of sitians landing illegally there is exceeded 2,500, the estimed total for oil last year. America nofficials have said y are baffled by the sudden rease; however, a short it to Port-de-Paix, the gest town in the north-

stern region, makes the son pitifully apparent. d Dieumene Clerveaux, the a administrator for Caritas, oman Catholic relief agency, s it concisely in the report s sending this week to his

dquarters at Port-au-Prince. The population of the far t, scarcely recovered from devastation of cyclone id (last August), are once in on the edge of the menace famine because of the ught which has been in prois for the past few months seems likely to continue. Almost all the pea plantas, which are the principal urce of the people of this

have been destroyed by new disaster." he report goes on to explain this is forcing people, " in l of their lives, to seek an n illusory better life in the amas or Florida"

uritas does what it can but e are areas, remote from towns, where its helping i cannot reach. In these s, said M Clerveaux, "if e is no rain within a month no help, the children will

any world league table of nes, this one would not among the most severe, ast at this stage. Its imporlies in that it contributes tly to America's latest of conscience about how 1 it can and should do to the growing number of

has offered asylum to the Oubans still trying to Havana through the Peru-

ed on Friday on flights sta Rica, he did allow 32

is, seeking exile, to fill seats on an Iberia Air-

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led into the Peruvian Em-

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er about 700 had been to San José and half of had been flown on to the Cuban Government

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he doors of Costa Rica re-open for all those who

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mesburg, April 21 inquiry will be held to be if there should be an tigation into the profes-

conduct of the three

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who died in police tion in September, 1977.

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said: "A formal inquiry be held if there is suffi-evidence to support the

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Jose, April 21.-Costa tions of liberty and peace,

Havana through the PeruEmbassy, and appealed to dent Castro to let the ation resume immediately, nough the Cuban Presinot yet responded to which has said it will take up to 3.500, Argentina, Brazil, Snain and

moment repatriating the refugees, is not offering them legal asylum because they say their motive for leaving Hairi is economic and not political. Even when the rains do come on time the course has all though its people are wary of talking about it to strangers.

time the country has the lowest per capita income of any in the Western Hemisphere.

My findings in the north-west confirm that the boat people are economic refugees. What they are fleeing however is they are fleeing, however, is not just poverty but starvation.

Rain normally comes to the region during three months—

December, February and May.

This was February and May. This year February was dry.

On the farms, the carefully spliced rows of peasticks stand in the dust, bare except for a few creeping weeds. When I asked farmers when they would plant they gestured towards the hot blue sky and said: "We are waiting for the rain".

They are used to doing the It was a drought here in 1975 which brought Caritas to the

M Clerveaux took me to a settlement of mud and wattle huts near the centre of Port-de-Paix. About 30 families. driven to the city from the rural areas which could not support them, live in a condi-tion of unrelieved squalor and

hunger.
In the huts, about 10it square, five, six or seven people sleep together on rush mattresses spread over the mud floor. The men take what work is available as porters in the port, earning no more than a few

pence a day. The women, old as well as young, gather stones from the beach and break them smaller to be used in construction. For a pile 5ft wide and 3ft high they are paid about \$1.

The children, many of them unclothed, have badly running noses because of the dust. They eat the meagre quantities of flour and rice given by Caritas, augmented by whatever small amounts of fish and fruit their family can afford.

he growing number of The families would jump at the chance of an illegal ride to United States Governalthough not at the money. Reports of the cost of

without taking into account their origin, ideology or colour

to 3,500, Argentina, Brazil, Ecuador, Belgium, Spain and Sweden bave offered to accept some of the Cubans.

Señor Carlos Aguilar, of the Costa Rican Foreign Ministry,

said there were indications that

President Castro would allow flights from Havana to Miami.

But he said he thought that

would pose legal problems for the United States, which did

not have full diplomatic rela-

afford to resettle only 300 of the Cubans on its territory, but

Señor Aguilar said contribu-tions from foreign governments

and private sources would

On Saturday, an estimated

allow the nation to accommo-

one million people participated in a pro-Government march in

Havana to mark the nineteenth

anniversary of the abortive Bay of Pigs invasion.

and parasites", the marchers shouted as they passed the

district surgeons, and Dr Colin

district surgeons, and Dr Colin Hirsch, a specialist physician. Last December, a judge in the Pretoria Supreme Court dismissed with costs an appli-cation by Dr Tucker and Dr Lang to ston the Medical and

Lang to stop the Medical and

Dental Council from proceeding further with preliminary in-quiries into complaints about

Complaints were laid by Mr
Eugene Roelofse, ombudsman
of the South African Council
of Churches, after he had read
reports of the Biko inquest.
The inquest magistrate found
that Riko died of massive hrain

that Biko died of massive brain injuries and renal failure after

their conduct.

be held if there is suffievidence to support the
for it. A formal inquiry
d be open to the public."
e doctors concerned are
Benjamin Tucker and Dr
Lang, both Port Elizabeth
injuries and renal failure after
being driven 600 miles from
parked and manacled in the
back of a police van. The
magistrate found that nobody
was criminally responsible for
his death.

Out with delinquents, trash

Costa Rica has said it could

tions with Cuba.

date up to 10,000.

though its people are wary of talking about it to strangers. An intending refugee-known locally as a "gully-gully", probably a corruption of "illegal "-has to find a willing skipper who will make a rendezvous on a deserted beach at

dead of night. The police try to stop them (a boatload were arrested in Port-au-Prince (ast week) but they do not have enough men to keep watch on all the inlets. Some captains take the refugees from the mainland in small boats and transfer them to larger ones at the sparsely inhabited Turtle Island some six miles off shore, whose bays are even harder to patrol.

To raise the money the intending immigrant will borrow from relatives. He will repay it by remittances from his comparatively magnificent wages in Florida. Then the funds will be available again to

finance another immigrant. Thus the process is self-sustaining, and even without the famine the rate of the exodus would have been likely to in-crease. Starvation, however, is

the most powerful motivation. M Clerveaux says that while assistance to relieve the immediate famine would be wel-come, what is really required is a long term programme to develop the area's resources, such as fishing.

Although many international development projects are under way in Haiti this area, contain-250,000 of the country's 5,500,000 people, has been largely ignored, possibly because it is so far away from the capital—a stiff six-hour drive half of it on unpaved

Near the mud huts three boys, with running noses and ragged trousers, were playing, building fragile castles in the dry sand. M Clerveaux watched them in silence and then said weakly: "If they stay here, these children have no future."

New refugee

in Hongkong

Refugee administrators in Hongkong fear that world opinion will soon harden against the continuing resettlement of South-East Asians

Refugees from Vietnam, the

markedly in recent months, say

that the outflow will rise again

as the younger generation

becomes increasingly intolerant

of hard living and working

Canada and Britain, are still

refugee population of 43,000 is

being evacuated at the rate of

3,000 per month. If there is no

further influx of refugees, the

would be emptied by the mid-

But, according to Mr Jaques

Terlin, the new Hongkong head of the United Nations

High Commission for Refugees (UNHCR), Hongkong's camps could face "another crisis sit-uation" if the refugee influx

"It is now not the time of open doors any more", said Mr Terlin. "Those countries which

have been accepting refugees are now dealing with unem-

ployment, inflation and hous-ing problems of their own. If

the refugee effort goes on too

long, it starts to weigh too heavily."

ative in Canada, said that the mood of the population there was clearly turning. And a

United States refugee official here agreed that the American attitude towards refugees was

also cooling.

Sir Murray MacLehose, the Governor, who is visiting the Philippines, will inspect the new refugee processing centre on Baran Island, west of

Manila, where 10,000 refugees have now been accepted from camps in Thailand and Malay-

sia to await resettlement abroad. Hongkong would like to send more of its refugees to

the Philippine camp but so far less than 600 have agreed to be transferred from Hongkong.

Terlin, recently the UNHCR represent-

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crisis fear

From Richard Hughes

Hongkong, April 21

Ban sought on flags and anthems at Olympics

Lausanne, April 21.—The leaders of four West European national Olympic committees told the International Olympic Committee today that national flags and anthems should be banned from the Moscow

Olympics. The Belgian, British, Italian and Liechtenstein representatives also said the Russians should not misconstrue the desire of most West European countries to compete as a sign of approval of Soviet policy in

Afghaoistau. Sir Denis Follows, chairman of the British Olympic Associa-tion, said the four-man delegation, said the four-hand delega-tion represented 16 European committees which wanted to make sure the Russians under-stood the position.

"Many of us also feel it is not a good idea for our national flags to be paraded before the Russian populace who might think that showed some kind of approval of the Soviet regime said Sir Denis, although he did not think the international committee would agree to a ban because there are many countries that set great store by that kind of thing.

"But it's time the Olympics reverted to its ideas and ideals and had less of this nationalis-tic stuff." He was accompanied by Mr Raoul Mollet of Belgium, Signor Franco Corraro of Italy, and Dr Peter Ritter of Liech-

tenstein German doubts: There was "little chance" of West Ger-man athletes taking part in the games, Herr Willi Daume, presi-dent of the West German National Olymuic Committee, said today.

Public opinion in West Germany has swung in favour of a boycort since the American decision," he said. "We are still fighting back, but we have no ilusions as to the outcome." He also said that from his talks with M Claude Collard, his French counterpart, "the

French are still in favour of

taking part at Moscow The West Germans hold the palance between the success or failure of a boycott at Moscow according to Olympic leaders, and they have been under increasing pressure first from the United States and now from the Soviet Union, which today said West Germany's absence from the games would seriously



Lord Killanin, president of the IOC, in Lausanne yesterday.

effect relations between the two The Russian pressure was

applied in Lausanne by Mr Ignati Novikov, president of the Moscow Olympic Committee and a Soviet Deputy Prime Minister, during a private meet-ing with Herr Daumt. Sources at the meeting said

th eWest Germans were left in no doubt about the threat to relations between the two countries if West Germany bows to

Herr Daume made little comment on the meeting apart from

saying the subject of Alghanistan was discussed. Further Soviet pressure on West Germany came from Mr Vladimir Popov, vice-president o fthe Moscow organizers, in an interview in Moscow with L'Equipe, the French news-

paper. Mr Popov said it had taken 30 years to normalize relations between Russia and West Ger-many and that President Carter's pressure on Bonn to spoil everything with a boycott was "a state of mind which smelled

International force to observe Uganda poll

From Charles Harrison Nairobi, April 21

Nairobi. April 21

An international force of military observers, similar to that used in the Zimbabwe elections, will operate in Uganda later this year when the country's first elections since 1962 take place for the presidency and Parliament.

President Godfrey Binaisa announced this in a broadcast from Kampala this weekend. He also outlined measures being taken, some with the assistance of other nations, to control violent crime in the control violent crime in the

Kampala area.
The military observer force is understood to be a compromise reached after President Binaisa had asked Britain and other friendly states to send a peacekeeping force to Uganda to replace the Tanzanian troops who have been there since the overthrow of President Idi Amin last vear.

In addition, Kenya, Sudan and Tanzania are training Ugandan police in a programme designed to build up a force that is seriously depleted and unable to cope with the crime wave.

That plan was agreed last week when the Presidents of Kenya, Tanzania, Sudan and Uganda mer in Mombasa. President Binaisa said that an

international plan supported by Australia, Canada, Sweden, Denmark, West Germany and the United States would provide equipment and facilities for equipment and racinities by training police recruits in Uganda. Britain has already assisted with training.

The Ugandan President

The Ugandan President called on the public to cooperate with the authorities by reporting criminals and helping to recover illegal arms. He said heavy penalties would be imposed on people who did not urrender illegal arms. border until the question of He said people were being community finances is settled. surrender illegal arms.

kill 15 rebels

snot for material gain, to settle old scores, or simply to cause unrest. He suggested that unnamed people might have launched a "bloody campaign" to cause instability as a pre-

lude to seizing power.

Half the Tanzanian military force has been withdrawn from Uganda, and the remainder is due to go before the elections. Tanzania accepts that the force

has outstayed its welcome.

Meanwhile, the Governments of Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda are studying recommendations for settling the complex finan-cial affairs of the East African Community, which collapsed in 1977 after disagreements among

the member states. Dr Viktor Umbricht, a Swiss arbitrator, has submitted his findings after a study of the community's assets and liabili-ties. Reports published here say he recommends that Kenya should pay almost £40m to Uganda for the community assets it has inherited and that Tanzania should pay £11,600,000.

Most of the community's assets, including the railway buildings and lake

system, buildings and lake steamers are in Kenya and, to a lesser extent, Tanzania, the

report says.

There are also long-term loan obligations, which in Kenya's case amount to almost £100m, for developments started under the community. Kenya, Tanzania and Uganda

now operate separate railway. postal, telecommunication and air services.

Ministers of the three states are due to meet next month to consider Dr Umbricht's proposals. They will probably also discuss the issue of the Tanzania-Kenya border which was closed by Tanzania when the community collapsed. Tanzania is not expected to open the

Philippine troops | Duke leads talks

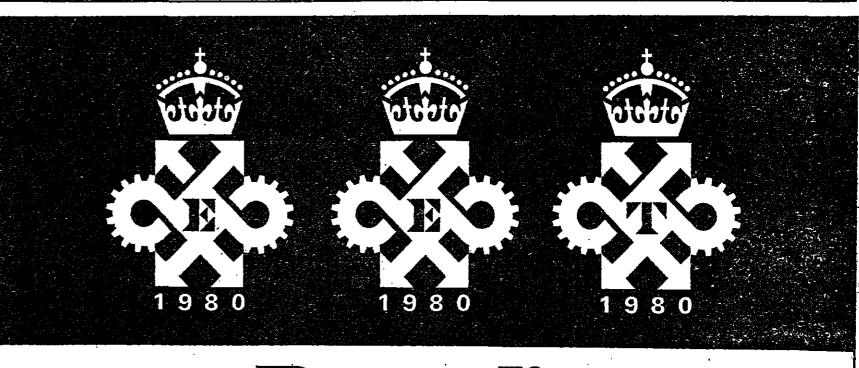
Manila, April 21.—Troops clashed with heavily-armed forces of the communist New how Britain can help the country in its modernization People's Army in a town in Samar province, leaving 15 insurgents dead, the Philippine drive.

Defence Ministry said today.

Three M16 rifles, two grenade rifles, ammunition and anti-Government documents were recovered after the battle which coincided with the surrender of 77 communist rebels | stay for 10 days .- Reuter.

with Chinese Hongkong, April 21.—The Duke of Gloucester left here today for talks in China on

He heads a 10-member mission from the British Consultants' bureau of which he is president. The mission is making the visit at China's invitation and is expected to.



Racal's Triple Crown

Technology and exports bring three more Queen's Awards

Racal Electronics is proud to announce that no less than three of its operating companies have been honoured with the Queen's Award to Industry in 1980, and congratulates the management and staff of each of them. This record achievement for the Group brings the number of Queen's Awards to Racal companies to twenty three, fourteen for export and nine for technological achievement.

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lamibia blacked out by guerrillas

n Ray Kennedy mesburg, April 21

the second time in a has been virtually ted out as a result of the by guerrillas of the bwest Africa people's mission (SWAPO) on the a line between Ruacana o electric station on the olan border and the capital,

by last Wednesday three over two weeks ago, were the distribution of the series of dunday night they were

to up again. **apo's action signifies a ch in tactics from plain orism—the killing of village abductions, mineambushing of th African troops—to econ-

As the lights went out in Windheok on Sunday and in 90 per cent of the rest of the country, it was sharply brought home that the victous border war 200 miles away is getting electric.

Tonight officials of the South-West African Electricity and Water Board were seriously wondering if it was worthwhile repairing the damaged pylons at 10,000 rands (about £5,600) at 10,000 rands (about 25,000)
each or whether the territory
should revert to relying on
coal-fired power from its main
power station near Windheok.
Mr Polla Brand, general
manager of the board, said in
Windhoek last night that concoalestions were in progress to

sultations were in progress to decide if and when the power line would be repaired.

He said: "It is senseless playing this silly game. To keep on fixing the line costs a mas-sive amount of money. The in-He said:

rands a day". If the line was not repaired "people here will just have to pay more for their electricity.". The 150m rands Ruacana

scheme harnessing the Cunene River at the Ruacana Fallsamong the natural wonders of Africa—was drawn up between Portugal and South Africa long before Angola's independence. It would have provided abundant power and irrigation for much of South-West Africa and Angola. Since the independence of Angola, the MPLA regime has refused to divert the Cunene's waters into a huge underground power station on the Namibian side and the South-West African authorities have been compelled to build, at tremendous expense, a pine line to feed water into the power station from another

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Electricity industry's failures attacked by Indian minister

Fial

From Richard Wigg Delhi, April 21 Mr Abdul Chaudhury, India's Energy Minister, has told the private sector to generate more electricity to solve the country's chronic energy shortage and to stop grumbling.

Coming after Mrs Gandhi's sudden nationalization of six large banks the statement did not help to clarify the economic policies of the Government which has now been in office for three months. Mr Chaud-hury said energy difficulties were the chief constraint to India's economic growth.

As a developing nation, India faces the hard task of securing crude oil and petroleum product imports at ever dearer prices and the equally grave difficulty of tapping its own energy resources and making the most efficient use of them. especially after unrest in oilproducing Assam. The coal, hydro-electric and nuclear power sectors are all in serious

each year, India's persistent neglect of its energy base provokes anger among industrial-ists and householders facing lost factory production and cuts in electricity and water

Mr Chaudhury publicly savaged the state electricity boards. There was no systematic maintenance of generating machinery, he said (something known, boards did not listen to workers' grievances (strikes when the hot season approaches are inevitable) and the boards were mostly filled with political

nominees.

It may be no different under Congress rule, but the result so far has been uneconomic tariffs to suit a particular powerful local clientele.

There would be no power crisis, Mr Chaudhury said, if the state electricity boards generated 60 per cent of their installed capacity. The national average is estimated at 45 per

week Karnataka, Last reckoned an economically goahead southern state, announced, without warning, a 100 per cent indefinite stoppage of all high tension supplies throughout the state. Big companies in Bangalore made so much noise that within two days

hydro-electric power stations was the excuse; but the stoppage emphasized a lack of

strategy have recommended

is less than 15 million tonnes of crude a year, and argued that coal production and hydroelectrical schemes should be made a priority. Only 10 per cent of India's hydro-electrical power resources were being

tapped. Nuclear and solar energy could come later. Coal and hydro-electrical power have been neglected because of cheap oil. A recent medical survey, whose findings the Government has not contradicted, showed 60 per cent of India's miners were

suffering from serious occupa-

tional diseases. Mining methods are out-dated and production last year fell more than 10 million tonnes short of the 104m tonnes target. Coal India has been beset by difficulties. Elsewhere in the industry there has been labour indiscipline and, more seriously. Mafia-type gang warfare among "the bosses" in important coalfields, where the Government's writ hardly runs at all.

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The Steel authority has been so badly affected by shortages of coal and power that the Government last week accepted it had no alternative but to allow 1.4m tonnes of steel to be important to the steel to be important. norted this year to offset production losses. It is also considering importing a million tonnes of coking coal to safeguard steel plants should domestic supplies became area more tic supplies become even more

Iraq's oil minister, on a visit Iraq's oil minister, on a visit here, announced that in addition to the six million tonnes crude his country would supply India with this year, there would be a \$104m (about \$47.3m) interest-free loan to cover increased oil prices since last June. With the uncertainties over Iran Iran has become ties over Iran, Iraq has become India's chief supplier, account-ing for almost a third of total oil imports.

Much is being made of that loan (in spite of its modest size compared with the total oil import bill) because it is the first of its kind in India since a commitment by the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries at last year's non-aligned summit for Third World nations in Havana.

Mr Virendra Patil, the Petroleum Minister, said the oil import bill this year will reach 50,000m rupees (more than £2,800m). That compares with much noise that within two days emergency supplies were channelled through the grid from Keralja. Tamil Nadu and faraway Gujarat.

The failure of last year's monsoon rains to provide sufficient water for Karnataka's to use its own energy resources more effectively. more effectively.

was the excuse: but the stoppage emphasized a lack of long-term planning over the past decade.

Experts appointed by the planning commission to produce a future national energy Little has been done to curb bly elections.

Brezhnev praise for fishing fleet

From Michael Binyon

Moscow, April 21
President Brezhnev sent a telegram of congratulations at the weekend to the Soviet fishing fleet in the Far East, praising them for their excellent catches and saying that they had set a fine example to the whole country's fleet.

Quarterly economic figures show that the fishing industry produced unusually good results for the first three months of this year, with production 11 per cent above the planned target.

Western reports have recently publicized a vast fraud that went on in the fishing industry for a number of years involving the snuggling of caviar to the west and illegal sales by the Far East fleet of catches to Japanese fishermen in return for consumer goods.

After the resignation last year of the Minister of Fisheries that preluded the arrest of up to 200 ministry officials, Mr Kosygin, the Soviet Prime Minister, was officially reported to have discussed with officials cials ways of raising produc-Mr Brezhnev told the Far

East fleet that he was convinced they would continue to labour for the benefit of the country, using all their energy, skill and accumulated experience to fulfil their obligations and put into effect party resolutions on the increase in fich lutions on the increase in fish production. Other economic results pub-

lished at the weekend show that most sectors of the economy performed satisfac-torily, producing better results than the disastrous first quarter of last year.
Output then was severely

hampered by the very cold winter, and this year has seen an overall rise of 5 per cent compared with the first three months of 1979.

Paper and pulp production was 4 per cent below plan, the only sector not to have reached its target according to the statistics. However, these appear to contradict the report of a meeting three days ago where the Council of Ministers under Mr Kosygin heard that other key sectors including coal, iron and steel and chemi-cals, also had not reached their targets.

This year total coal output was 186 million tons, a little down on the same period last year, though still 2 per cent above the target set. Chemical and steel industries,

which were sharply criticized by Mr Brezhney last November were also apparently able to fulfil their plans, in spite of the report to the contrary by the Council of Ministers.

The discrepancy is probably because the targets themselves were revised-a common practice when it looks as though they will not be met.

Afghan resistance leader refused visa for Britain

From Edward Mortimer Peshawar, April 21 Professor Abdurrasul Sayaf, the head of the alliance groupng five of the six main Afghan esistance movements is to visit London in the next few days. But one of his assistants, who was to have accompanied him as adviser and translator, has

as adviser and translator, has been refused a visa by the British Embassy in Islamabad.

Mr Ahmed Shah, who is the deputy leader of the Jamiat-i-Islami Afghanistan, one of the company of the allicomponent groups of the alli-ance, told me last night he had been refused the visa on the grounds that he did not have a reentry permit for Pakistan, although he had a residence card for the United States.

He understood, he said, that the British Government did not want Afghan refugees settling in Britain. But he felt that because the British Government claimed to be opposed to the Russian occupation of Afghanistan and to support the Afghan resistance, the least it could do was to establish contact with the known resistance leaders and issue visas on their recommendation to bona fide visitors on political business.

In an interview with The Times last night, Prof Sayaf said that he had been invited to London by Mr Salem Azzam, the secretary-general of the Islamic Council of Europe. He was not sure whether he would seek a meeting with a member of the Government.

He wanted first to have dis-cussions with Mr Azzam, who

about the alkiance of Afghan movements at the time of the Islamic foreign ministers' conference in Islamabad in Janu-

He also wanted to discuss with Mr Azzam, and with leaders of the United Arab Emirates whom he will visit on his way back from London, whether his alliance should seek formal recognition from the Islamic foreign ministers at their next meeting in Islama-

bad in May.

He said efforts were continuing to bring into the alliance the main group that has so far remained outside it. the Hizb-i-Islami led by Gulbuddin Hikmatyar.

Prof Sayaf, aged 36, taught Islamic law at Kabul University until his arrest by the Daoud regime six years ago. He escaped execution by an oversight after the Communists came to power in 1978.

A gaunt, impressive man, with a bushy black beard, Prof Sayaf refused to say what aid his movement was seeking or which Governments he would accept it. But he asked rhetorically whether Govern-ments of the free world should not have come forward with aid without waiting to be asked if they were really con-cerned about what the Soviet Union was doing in Afghani-

He considered the support given so far to be purely ver-bal, but said the Afghans would carry on fighting what-

Colours in new Kabul flag an attempt to woo Muslims

flag, including green to signify Islam, was hoisted today in Kabul at a ceremony attended

atheist philosophy. said the flag, recently approved by the Revolutionary Council, was the "symbol of peace, free-

He used the occasion to call on all working people to join together in giving a "resolute rebuff" to imperialism, which he said was encroaching on the

The black, red and green flag is an attempt to win over had a constitution since the Muslim population. There coup in April, 1978,

From Our Own Correspondent has been sharp controversy Moscow, April 21 over its design since the GovA new tricoloured Afghan ernment decided in January on appears to be a compromise. The former red flag will reby tens of thousands of people, main the emblem of the ruling

> show two features of a mosque, the pulpit and the Milurab niche that guides worshippers

Under what amounts to a temporary constitution, the Revolutionary Council remains the highest body of state authority until a parliament, to be called Loya Jirgah, can be elected to adopt a full constitution. Afghanistan has

Fashion

Prudence Glynn

When I was in New Zealand I went to the Bay of Islands and there I saw a wondrous cloak, a cloak of fabric and feather and tufts of this and that, ample as the vestment of a priest, splendid as the armour of a warrior. It had belonged to the Maori chief who signed the Treaty of Waitangi in 1840. When I saw the work of two

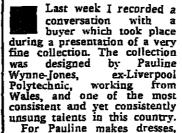
youngish designers, Ian Cooper and Marcel Aucoin, which I show on the page today, the feather motif reminded me of the timelessness of great textile design. Ian and Marcel mer in Canada and now they have a studio in London where very special and what many of you will think very expensive clothes are produced by hand.

I do not care for the word expensive for it implies bad value. What must be said is that Ian and Marcel produce beautiful, exceptional clothes, all quite different, which cost a lot of money. On the other hand they are clothes of such simplicity and classic cut, and of such startling ravishment of colour and texture that they will stand you in as good stead as do my Chinese mandarin robes which, 150 years later and very possibly used to decorate Chou Chin Chow on Ice in the interim, retain a dignity and innate excellence which makes me don them whenever in doubt.

The fabrics-always silkare stretched on an 11ft frame, the pattern pieces are outlined, then the painting begins. The colours (with dyes from Paris) are steam set, then dry cleaned. Then the yardage is cut up and sewn together—there is one trusty outworker, but Ian also makes up clothes as well as cutting the patterns; well he was at St Martin's, so it's nice to know that our extravagant educational programme for designers does work.

Not surprisingly, Ian and Marcel sell to the most dis-criminating shops. Atmosphere Regents Park Road, Lina Lee in Rodeo Drive, Beverly Hills. All details from Ian and Marcel, 48 Huddleston Road, London N7. Tel 01-272 4378.

PS: It must work. They are looking for bigger premises.



For Pauline makes dresses, lovely, flattering, simple dresses that you can wear dawn to dewy eve, and when she makes a suit it is really a dress in two pieces, so soft is the tailoring, so feminine the proportions.

Dresses which are instant classics can be very dull. One more little button-through shirt dress number means safety perhaps, but not quite an incentive to buy. Pauline's dresses are safe in the right way but always spiced with some new detail, some new cut which and yet at the same time does not make you feel that what you had before is obsolete.

This, of course, is the secret of a top-class designer; just enough novelty to inspire coupled each season to a look which a certain type of woman knows both fits and suits her Who has time to try out 15 different makes and cuts and shapes these days? And when clothes cost what they do if they are well made no one can afford a mistake which relegates a dress to the back of the cupboard.

The theme of this latest collection is best described, if memory serves, as lappers. Websters Dictionary is obstinately silent on the subject, moving adroitly from Lapp, a somewhat obscure people, I would imagine, in the general mind, to lapse, which we all know about. The Concise Oxford however pops in this vital dressmaking term to remind us that it is a "flap, told, loose or overlapping piece of

Well, that is what Wynne-Jones has worked on. She has flapped, folded, loose or overlapped the delipretty and eminently wearable collection, which you can find in the best quality shops and

stores across the country.
Which brings me with diffidence but optimism to my own offering to readers in search of That Dress. It is made in pure wool crepe (wovens have taken over from jersey) with a nice amount of detail, a classy look and a trans-seasonal applicability.

Although it is cut quite close and straight, a belt means that you can blouse it up at the back to conquer the typical English sway spine. You can tie that collar into a smart knot, lap t over or pin it to the sides. You can push up the sleeves. The epaulent yoke gives the current wide shouldered look without undue exaggeration. Navy is prim and ritzy, scarlet could revolutionise your life, buy all three colours and add a scarlet edge-to-edge jacket and ditto in navy and perm them together you will have any number of outfits, but exactly how many I can't say because I'm hopeless at maths.



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One day I shall stop interfering in the decisions of t good and great. One day I shall stop questioning t choice of awards, the allocation of honours, the f of judges to judge, to say nothing of the fitness; those who see themselves as suitable to be judged. That day, however, has not dawned and so, unashamed

partisan, I would like to know why Hardy Amies, one our few internationally known fashion names, and, so far I know, financially viable, has not received a Queen's Awa for Export. I am aware that we are living in a new Iron Age, and

glance at the selection committee does suggest a true a proper respect for ball-bearings rather than frocks; but le at the straits in which much of Britain's once great indus finds itself.

Bernard Nevill, the textile designer, never accorded R status those who are in my view greatly his inferiors.

The gallant Mr Amies still flies the flag of initiati efficiency and quality which others have hauled down all

Snubs always annoy me.

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New ways with vegetables German cakes and biscuits

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cials in Melbourne today. The spokesman said that Fräulein Goersch had applied for either political asylum or to be given refugee status in Australia. The Government would consider the request after receiving a report from officials at the meeting, he said.

Heidi Goersch steps into a

car after talks at the Austra-lian Foreign Ministry.

Canberra, April 21.-An East

German dancer who dis-appeared shortly before her

vesterday has asked to remain

in Australia, a Foreign Affairs

Department spokesman said

The Komische Oper company left Sydney after completing an

eight-week tour of Australia.

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request at a meeting with offi-

The spokesman said in Conberra that the dancer, named

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S Yemen leader is replaced

Aden, April 21 .- President Abdul Fattah Ismail of South Yemen has resigned on health grounds and has been replaced by Mr Ali Nasir Muhammad, the Prime Minister, the Aden news agency said today.

Mr Nasir Muhammad was President of the country for some months after the overthrow and execution of former President Salem Robaya Ali in June. 1978. He is also a former Defence Minister.—Reuter.

according to a Tass dispatch from Kabul. It replaces the former red flag that many Afghans regarded as a symbol the ruling party's hated

President Bubrak Karmal dom, social justice, progress and equality", and was also the banner of unity of the Afghan

country's independence.

the change and the tricolour party.
The new state emblem will

the direction of Mecca. against a green background. The Government's commitment to Marxism has been enshrined in a new set of "basic principles" approved "basic principles" approved by the ruling People's Democratic Party, according to Tass.

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in principle to premier to five years. It has ene decided that a four-divisional competition, briefly was introduced in divisional competition, briefly was introduced in should be established perly and that players repreclubs in the premier should not be eligible to the county championship. decisions have been made full committee of the RFU ig the report made to them laying subcommittee, pre-rier by the Lancastrian, rrgess, whose brief was to be what changes should be the English playing strucorder to improve the level remance at national level members were David Tony Jorden, Ron Jacobs, barry and the chairman of

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organizers of London's

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and by three other guest and downe from Dublin, from France, and Maid-

res should be attractive for their back division three current French onals in Jean Michel Roland Bertranne and rancois Gourdon. Eric

chairman of the senior clus committee, said in that they considered it it to produce an up and

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ne will bring a host of supporters with them.

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igton, April 21.—New would not withhold entry rom any South Africau eam—white or multiracial

obert Muidoon, the Prime

; said today. His statellowed the warning by the
Affairs Minister, Mr
alboys, that no rugby team
by South African
id aport would be welcome

country's rugby union is

ing inviting either a ok or multiracial South team to New Zealand next

Mr Talboys deplured the

s international ditiracial society.

likely to destroy New international standing

Burgess said vesterday that until details were resolved no one should make hasty assumptions. "When things have been finalized we will probably go round the country again explaining our case and arguing if need be. But I'm convinced that right now, in the light of all the problems, we've got the best available answer."

We do not know yet how many club leagues there will be. For reasons of geography alone it might be prudent initially to have two premier leagues rather than one. That might involve a competition involve a competition involve a two premier leagues rather than one. That might involve a competition involving northern and Midland clubs, and another furthose in London and the southwest. Clearly, too, there must he some system for relegation and promotion between premier league (or leagues) and the major club competitions helow them. And, hecause it does not necessarily follow that relegated clubs are weaker than the ones aspiring to replace them, it may be that some sort of challenge eucounter would be the better way to resolve such problems.

Whatever the outcome. leagues

Whatever the outcome leagues will give clubs and players the competitive rugby they have long asked for, and there will be wide-spread support for the revival of a division, the birth of which could allow the country of the country a division, the birth of which owed almost everything to the persistence and foresight of Dick Jeeps, who was president of the union the year before such a competition was inaugurated. There must be no grumbles from the premier clubs when they yield up their players for divisional matches on Saturdays.

on the content of his and the zeal with which he committee tested opinion from the country before it to their conclusions, but his must have been a perapice of salesmanship. His inevitably will not please hid, but they seem to strike onable political balance; fill get a favourtble refrom the big clubs and ill delight the top players.

One assumes that the exclusion of premier league players from the country composition will once the country competition will obse some glamorous performers, but it will continue to excite local lovalities, all its participants should be wholly committed (which has not always been the case in certain parts of the land), and ledight the top players. One assumes that the exclusion

shortly before 9 p.m. That made

it a distinctly long day for all con-cerned. The new format looks

cerned. The new format looks altogether more promising. Twickenbam, as Mr Franks stressed, is a natural choice for the event, which has the blessing of the Rugby Football Union.

Four matches, starting at 11 o'clock and all involving London clubs, will be played on the Stoop Memorial Ground before the winners move over to Twickenham at one o'clock to reduce their numbers to two. All four guest

nam at one o'clock to reduce their numbers to two. All four guest sides will make their first appearance in the quarter-final round, as will the winners and runners-up in the London merit table. London Irish and Rosslyn Park. All matches will be 10 minutes.

All matches will be 10 minutes each way except the final, starting at 5.45, which will be twice as

long.
The presence of London Welsh, who missed the first tournament

should help to swell the gate. No other Welsh club is participating because, as Mr Franks explained, the Welsh RU, "unlike all other

his Foreign Minister were "simply carrying out our obliga-tions under the Geneagles agree-ment. I was one of the five prime

ministers who brought it together in 1977 ", he said.

In his strongest statement yet, the Foreign Affairs Minister and Deputy Prime Minister, Mr Talboys, rejected any South African rugby team's tour so long as the apartheid system was in force in that country.

Mr Talboys said a multiracial team was not acceptable under the texns of the Gleneagles agreement, which New Zealand signed two years ago. "A multiracial team that is itself the protect of multipacial team that is need to the content of multipacial team that is need to the content of multipacial team that is need to the content of multipacial team that is need to the content of multipacial team that is need to the content of multipacial team that is need to the content of the conte

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Football

McDermott suspension could help Liverpool

Liverpool's hopes of a cup and league double were improved yesterday when their England midfield player, Terry McDermott, received a one-match suspension when he appeared in front of an FA Disciplinary Tribunal.

FA Disciplinary Tribunal.

McDermott, twice voted player of the season, misses tomorrow's Irip to Stoke City for reaching the 20 point mark. But he has been freed to make his return against Crystal Palace on Saturday before Monday's FA Cup meeting with Arsenal in the second replay of the Semi-Final round at Villa Park. at Villa Park.

Bob Paisley. Liverpool's man-ager who travelled down to London with McDermott, was not London with McDermott, was not too upset over the suspension. McDermott is "only 95 per cent fit" after the leg injury which kept him out of the last three games—all against Arsenal. "It was a fair hearing and we can't complain atthough we had hoped he might get off with a warning", the Liverpool manager said. McDermott said: "Obviously I'm disappointed considering my sound disappointed considering my good record. But the FA have a job to do.

"However, I probably would not bave played at Stoke anyway hecause the injury is taking a little longer to clear than tirst thought, and next Saturday would have been the more likely day of my return."

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Bristol City, still not prepared to give up the fight against relegation, had a setback with a one-match suspension to Gerry Gow for reaching 30 points. Gow, suspended for two games earlier in the season, misses the game at home to Middlesbrough today, but said. "It could have been a lot worse, so I am happy to have got off so lightly."

The FA helpod Bristol's cause

The FA helped Bristol's cause by giving one-match suspensions to Tony McAndrew (30 pts) and Alau Ramage (20), of Middlesbrough, ruling them out of the game at Ashton Gate today. Les Tibbott, of Sheffield United, was let off with a warning for reaching 20 pts.

The Queen's Park Rangers striker, Clive Allen, the League's leading goal-scorer with 29 goals this season, was suspended for

Germans battle

and final place

Bayern Munich hold a 2—0 first-leg lead over Eintracht Frankfurt in the Uefa Cup while Stuttgart came from behind to beat the holders, Borussia Mönchengladbach, 2—1 in their first meeting. Eintracht, whose

players could win nearly £4,000 each if they qualify for the final, will be without Grabowski, their injured captain and mainspring,

for the home leg.

The other tie is more open.

Borussia often produce their best

performances in European games. Backed by their home crowd, they are capable of overcoming their one-goal deficit. They and Stuttgart have been promised an extra £2,500 a man if they reach the

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Martin, Foerster Eimer, Foerster Hatteaberger, Mueller, Schmider, Keisch,
Ohlicher, Reuter.

Bordeaux, April 21.—Omar Salmoun, a former French football interactional, collapsed and died today while training with Bordeaux. Aged 24, he was capped in 1977 and 1978 while with Market His leaves appearances.

Nantes. His league appearances had been limited in recent seasons because of a heart ailment.—

French player dies

for bonuses



McDermott: misses only one match through suspension.

one match for reaching 20 points. He misses the home game against Newcastle United on Saturday. Alvin Martin is ready to return West Ham United in their vital promotion match against Birmingham City at Upton Park today, Martin-has recovered from tonsilitis which kept bim out of the FA Cup semi-final round replay triumph over Everton last and scored against Swindon Town last Saturday. . John Lyall. West Ham's man-

ager, will choose from a party of 13 players for a match West Ham cannot afford to lose if they are to make the most of their games in hand and sneak back into the

aggravating a leg injury during Saturday's 2-1 defeat at Brigh-ton. Nattrass, a former England under-23 international, bas had an unlucky first season with Middles-brough after his £375,000 transfer from Newcastle last summer. Naturest, aged 26, who has Achilles tendon trouble and a twice-cracked bone in his right leg, has so far made only 11 first team appearances.

Scottish player of the year: The

Scottish Football Writers' Asso-ciation have named 23-year-old Aberdeen midfield player, Gordon Strachan, as their player of the year. The St Mirren striker. Doug Somner, took second place and third place went to the Partick Thistle and Scotland goalkeeper. Alan Rough. Strachan will be prepromotion reckening.
Middlesbrough defender, Irving
Nattrass, is out of the game for
the rest of the season after
Thistle and Scotland goz
Alan Rough. Strachan will
sented with his award at
at Glasgow next Monday. sented with his award at a dinner

Arsenal state their aim in Cupwinners' return Bonn, April 21.—Bonuses of up to almost £4,000 will go to the successful sides in the all-West German Uefa Cup semi-final matches which are being played tomorrow, a day earlier than scheduled. The second leg ries have been brought forward from Wednesday because the European Cup semi-final second-leg match between Hamburg and Real Madrid will be televised live in West Germany that evening. Bayern Munich hold a 2—0

Terry Neill, the Arsenal manager, attempted to defuse a potentially explosive situation yesterday before the North London club flew to Turin for their Cup Winners' Cup semi-final round return against Juventus.

The Italian midfield player. Marco Tardelil, was sent off in the 1—1 first leg match, but it is the painful memory of a tackle on David O'Leary by Bertega that could start trouble. Mr Neill insisted: "There will be no vendetta on our part. We are just going out there to win the match by playing football".

Bettega, who is worried, was said to have invited Neill and O'Leary to take part in his Italian television programme last night, to

to have invited usell and to Leary
to take part in his Italian television programme last night, to
talk over the iocideot, but, Neill
said: "I only know what I have
read in the papers. At the moment
there are no plans to appear. As
far as I am concerned the first
leg was played in a very good
spirit. We all feel a lot of sympathy for Tardelli—we believe he
was very barshly dealt with".

Tardelli's dismissal, for a foul
on Liam Brady, rules him out of
the return. Sergio Brio. a defender, is also likely to be missing
with damaged knee ligaments.
Arsenal expect to be at full
strength. Brady, who missed Saturday's draw at Liverpool with
a knee injury, and Sammy Nelson,
with a hamstring Injury both
travelled in a party of 17 and Neill
said: "I fully expect they will all
be fit for selection". Seven of
the Juventus side were in the Italy

team held 2—2 by Poland in Turin Real Madrid stand on the brink of reaching their minth European Cup final in Hamburg tomorrow might but they must first prove that their defensive nerve matches their attacking flair. Real, who have won the cup six times, take a 2—0 lead into the semi-final round second leg match after an impressive home performance final round second leg match after an impressive home performance. But for Real the last stride into the final against Hamburg isfraught with danger. Over-auxiousness could be one of Real's main problems as they attempt to reach the twenty-fifth European Cup final in their own Bernaben Stadium next month.

The prospect of being so close to a glittering occasion will put added pressure on the Real defence as they brace themselves to withstand what is certain to be a well-planned counter-offensive by Hamburg.

Kevin Keegan, critical of Hamburg's defensive approach in the first leg. is likely to hurl himself

at Real as he attempts to end his stay with the West German club with a second European Cup triumph. Keegan, who returns to the English League next season, was in the Liverpool side which won the cup in 1977. Keegan's commitment, allled to

the general efficiency of the Hamburg team, promises to give the Real defenders a hectic test of their resilience and should they survive no one will question the Spanish club's right to a place in the final.

Spurs plan £3m stand

Tottenham Hosspur's plans to could bring in more than 52m in Tottennam Hotspur's plans to spend £3m on a new stand at White Hart Lane will make no difference to the amount of money available to the manager, Keith Burkenshaw, to buy new players.

The stand could pay for itself within five years, as it will include 72 private luxury boxes which could bring in more than £2m in the first three years. The first three years. The stand were announced by Tottenham yestermain stand, which has been used since early this century and is to be demolished. Work is to start in October this year and should take just over 12 months. Boxing

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Gardner should click not clunk this trip

The man John L. Gardner, the British heavyweight champion, has to beat tonight at the Albert Hall is not so much Rudi Gonwe, his opponent for the vacaur European title, as John L. himself. For pean title, as John L. himself. For

his opponent for the vacam European title, as John L. himself. For the stonecutter, from Ostendalthough his record has not been impressive, being knocked out in two rounds by Bendon's Tony Moore, who himself was supped in eight by Gardner—carries Jhammer in his right band.

Gardner will have to curb his natural instincts to go boring In. or what should be a comfortable victory could turn into an ignominious defeat. the like of which Terry Lawless could do without at this stage of the stable's career. The 12-round EBU distance will suit the Hackney man who has only one gear—overdrive. He likes to set the pace once the anthem ceremomes are over and does not stop Ilailing until Mr Lawless calls him off. But the further the contest goes the slower he becomes and legins to judder—a judderman? Gordner's repertoire is effective but limited, although over this distance it should not look too thin.

Gardner will have to put the

From Norman Fox
Football Correspondent
Amsterdam, April 21
When it comes to judging football teams and players, Brian
Clough and Peter Taylor are not
noted for bending a receptive ear
to the opinion of others, a fact
that could work in their favour
here tomorrow evening when Nottingham Forest attempt to reach
their second successive European
Cup Final by holding or improving their 2—0 semi-final round
first leg lead over Ajax.

Bad they been listeming to their
opponents, or reading the views of
Dutch inurnalists, they would
probably be as confused as those
of us who perhaps pay too much
offent leg in Nottingham we
heard Krol, the Ajax and Dutch
international captain, miserably
complaining about his own performance and showing no
enthusiaem for the return. Ajax
had no sooner left the scene than
some of their players were saying
that on their own ground they
would surely win.
Forest can be coually confusing.
They certainty baffled Ajax, who thin.

Gardner will have to put the brakes on his eagerness to use the big Belgian as a punchbag or he may find, as in the case of the world ranked Jimmy Young, the bag may suddenly sprout powerful bands. Gardner will have to land his punches with fine timing, more with a click than a clunk. But, more than in the Belgian's record, the Briton will would surely win.

Forest can be countly confusing. They certainly baffled Ajax, who said that although Birtles and Francis were impressively fast, the team as a whole lacked style. Ajax are now making great play of their remarkable home record of not being beaten in European competition since a visit by clink. But, more than in the Belgian's record, the Briton will find aid and comfort in the knowledge that he has not only been 10 rounds with a high-class hoxer like Young but, for most of the bout, carried the fight however prayalling, to the American, who had once given All so much who had once given Ali so much trouble. Gardner blames that

home to MVV Masstricht, a lowlyplaced team who found no resistance in the home defence. It was
the worst defeat for Ajax in the
memory of most local sunporters,
who seem to have taken the result
much more seriously than Mr
Clough or Mr Taylor. Admittedly,
three of the regular side were
missing, but here the rout was
seen as confirmation that the
present team were merely preten-Four finalists in England team Four boxers who have reached the final of the ABA senior cham-

present team were merely pretenders to the great Ajax sides of the early seventies.

Mr Clough said: "If we came here and thought our work was over we would be crackers—that would be just as daft as their result. It had no hearing on what result. It had no bearing on what we are going to do on Wednesday. We are disregarding it—it was a stupid result. They have got to come and score a goal or two-or even three-but it will be their attitude that will dictate ours; it

competition since a visit by Benfica in 1969. They may not be the first to discover that, with or without style, Forest are a handful

for anyone on European soil where they are unbeaten in two

If confusion is the theme, it was extended to extreme lengths on Sunday when Ajax lost 6—3 at home to MVV Maastricht, a lowly-

attitude that will dictate ours; it may even help ours."

Mr Taylor admitted that he had been forced to stamp on some complacency and spoke of a change in attitude required to begin again with the advantage of a two-goal lead. The situation presents new problems but not ones that should worry European Cuo holders.

Forest will officially announce their team on Wednesday but that is only a matter of deliberate intrigue. The question is whether Bowyer replaces Bowles in midfield and the situation suggests Bowyer will be preferred. As for Ajax, their team will also be much the same although La Ling, Jensen and Boere all missed Sundays' embarrassment.

Today's fixtures

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7.30 unless stated
UEFA CUP: Semi-final round, Second
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leg: Effuracht v Bayera Munch 15.01;
Monchengladbach v VFB Monchengiatouch (6.0).

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THURD DIVISION: Barnsley T RUIN City: Blackburn Rovers v Sherifield Wednesday: Plymouth Argule v Southend United: Swindon Town v Colchesier United: Wimbledon v Millywill. ochester United: Wimbledon v diffivall. William Division: Bradferd City v lewport County: Doncaster Rovers v rockon leganders; Halfax Town v rockon distance; Halfax Town v rockon Aldenvior United Aldenvior, Halfax Down SCOTTISH LECOND DIVISION: SCOTTISH LECOND DIVISION: SCOTTISH LECOND DIVISION: Aldenvior v Rockon V Maidstone v Boson Charles, i Mineston, v Ninceston, SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Midland division: Barry v Brobury; Bedworth v Witney Town: Bridgend v Bedford; Corby v Gloucester, Southern division; Gosport v Dariford; Hastings v Gosport v Darnioru; Hasungs v Margain, NOFTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE; NOFTHERN PREMIER LEAGUE; Malock v Buxion; Morecambe v Lancaster; wither Albion v Burton Albion; Strike Man League; Premier division; Malock Control of the Control of t Town.
ATHENIAN LEAGUE: Bansoad
Athletic v Groys Abrietic: Burnham v
Ruisilp Manor (6.50): Chertsey Town
v Uxbridge (6.50): Rednill v Fiool:
Welling United v Woodford Town:
Windsor and Elon v Derking
RUGBY UNION: Elbw Vale v
Maesieg (7.0).

defeat on tendon trouble and on a touch of gour. So much the better for him this time! better for him this time!

In a supporting bout, the former champion. Des Morrison (Bedford) meets an unbeaten lightwelter, Sylvester Mittee (Berhnal Green) in the final eliminator to meet the champion. Clinton McKenzie. I always think that Morrison has too kind a face to be a pusifist, not that Mittee is not handsome! Despite his long reach Morrison tends to come in close where Mittee might find him too clever. But the younger Mittee, who is not averse in him too ciever. Who is not averse to leading off with a right clout, might just prove too strong if he does not over-reach himself in the early rounds, and keeps Morrison in hitting range.

in hitting range.

It is good to see Maurice Hope back in training after his operation for a damaged return. Not a moment too soon, pernaps, with the World Boxing Council gerting a bit nervous as two impatient contenders, Carlos Herrera, of Argentina, and Rocco Mattiolifron whom Hope took his world light-middle title, shake their fists at them. The big men have decided it will be the Italian. Mattioli, who will meer Hope for the world title, in mid-July t'ie world title, in mld-July possibly.

Another Italian, Matteo Salve-mini, has been nominated by the FBU as the official challenger for Kevin Finnegan's European's middleweight title. Purse offers will have to be in by June 18.

Finnegan's challenge

Rome, April 18.—The European Boxing Union has named Metter Salvemini, of Italy, as official challenger for the European middleweight title held by Kevin Finnegan of Britain, Purse offers must be made by June 18.— Reuter.

Weaver to defend

the final of the ABA senior championships at Wembley, on May 2, are in England's six-strong team for the European (under-19 championships in Rimini from May 19 to 30.

The four, who are also candidates for Olympic selection, are Frank Bruno (Sir Philip Game, Croydon,) English-born of West Iodian parents, at Heavyweight; Mark Kaylor (West Ham), at middleweight; Nick Wilshire (Park Youth, Swindon), at light-middleweight and at flyweight, Keith Wallace (St Helens).

The other two members of the

in South Africa Johannesburg, April 21.-The World Boxing Association (WBA)

heavyweight 'champion Mike Weaver has agreed to defend his title in South Africa against the white South African Gerrie Coetzee in June or July, Coetzee's legal adviser, Hal Tucker, said here today. Negotiations are also reportedly

In process with the South African hotel magnate, Sol Kerzner, to sponsor the contest in association with the American promoter, Bob Keith Wallace (St Helens).

The other two members of the team are at light flyweight. Nigel Potter (Darnhill, Manchester), and light heavyweight, David Cross (Brdilington), winner of a silver medal in the world junior championships.

with the American promoter, Bob Arum. The two sponsored the recent Knteze-Tate and Coetze-Tate matches in South Africa, both of whith were won by Tate. away from his fellow black American in Knoxville, Tennessee.—AFP.

Griffiths must beware the young master of technique Terry Griffiths. of Wales, who won the world snooker championship at his first attempt last year, defends his fitle in the south African, Jimmy van Rensburg, came through a tough qualifying group from Bristol. If Higgins wins he will meet B. Mane Mane

year, defends his title in the event sponsored by Embassy, which starts today at the Crucible Theatre, Sheffield, and ends on May 5. The champion, well-known for his strict mathematical accuracy, concentration stamina, faces no easy, task. and Some of Griffiths's strongest qualities were shown on

Some of Griffiths's strongest qualities were shown on February 9 at Wembley where in winning the Masters final by nine frames to five he defeated Alex Higgins, the champion of Ireland, renowned for his speed round the table and ability to entertain. Griffiths and Higgins could meet in the quarter-final round, a prospect which revives memories of that sterling match at the same stage of the championship last year. The score was 11—11 in this 25 frame match and Higgins led 55—0 in the next frame, only to become perplexed and lose. and lose. Before he can meet Higgins.

however, Griffiths will have to dispose of the winner of the firstround match between Patsy Fagan and the rising young Steve Davis, who has few peers in snooker technique. Davis had a 5—3 win over Griffiths early this year in the pro-am tournament, sponsored by Demmy, at Potters, Salford, in the quarter-final round. Higgins's first opponent will be Tony Meo, who, having beaten

Mans, whom he defeated by five fram to one in the quarter final round at Wembley. The left-handed Mans has not had much

If results work out as expected the line-up for the other quarter-final matches should be: John Spencer v Eddic Charlton: Dennis Taylor v Cliff Thorburn; Fred Davis v Ray Reardon. The original field of 53 has been whittled down to 24. These

include the eight qualifiers from three centres, Bristol. Stockport and Sheffield, who have earned the right to play in the first round against more experienced players whose seedings range from nine to 16. Awaiting the survivors in the second round are the first eight seeds of whom Griffiths is No 1 and Reardon No 2.

Out of the sum of 558,000-

offered as prize money, £15,000 will go to the winner and £8,000 to the runner-up. But there are ther incentives. The compiler of the maximum break of 147 will, receive £10,000 and there will also be a prize of £5,000 for the highest championship break which stands at 142.

First ROUND DRAW: S. Davis v. P. Fagan: A. Meo v A. Hinghis: K. Sloven: Canada v C. Mies: I. Waddowcroft v J. Virgo: J. Wich Canada v J. Pilman: C. Wison v. D. Mountjov: R. Edmonds v D. Tolor: W. Thorne v W. Werbensull.

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ed as the new St Helen's to succeed Eric Ashuo.

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de opposition.

St Helen's club secretary.
Sutliffe, said there had big application list, includne of the best known coached playing names in the However, the directors deby a large majority to t Coslett, who will take up stion on June 1, allowing shion to see out the seasoners contract will be for ear initially, and he will ear initially, and he will tree hand to nominate his coaching staff. His new truent will mean that he makes the Wigan coaching this. hich he took over before

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Which he won every trophy r available, he moved to the Hornets as coach in and later moved on to the

d Wigan position.

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Tennis

Hunt to organize valuable event at Forest Hills

New York, April 21.—Lamar Hunt, a Texas millionaire, is in the process of restoring one of the United States most cherished sporting traditions-big-time tenni at Forest Hills.

ar Forest Hills.

Mr Hunt is organizing the Tournament of Champions, to be contested at the historic West Side club from May 5 to 11. It is an event with an unusual format—a knockout tournament restricted to players who have won a tournament of \$50,000 and over in the past 12 months. It will have a select field of 28 men. The prize money is the biggest ever—\$500,000.

Mr Hunt's aim is to build the Mr Hunt's aim is to built the Tournament of Champions into a regular fixture. "When I see a challenge I want to do something about it.", Mr Hunt said. "I think it would be a shame to abandon Forest Hills, where the great legends of the past played." Easy for Mayer: Gene Mayer, the No 1 seed, easily defeated the unseeded Brian Teacher, 6—3, 6—2, in the final of the Jack the No 1 seed, easily defeated the unseeded Brian Teacher, 6—3, in the final of the Jack Kramer Open tournament, Mayer yielded only four points on his service in the first set. Teacher, making a comeback after breaking his ankle in the 1979 United States Open, had a hard time winning key points and was plagued by double faults at crucial junctures.

tures.

Mr. Muldoon rejected as racial team that is itself the pro-our policy " suggestions duct of multiracial sport is one as could be withheld. He thing ", Mr Taboys said. "But a fixed that the Rugby Union multiracial team that is simply ecide whether to invite a a cosmetic development is african team and that the

The highlight of the match came influenced the St Helen's ors was a period in Coslett's with the saints as deputy under Eric Ashton, when matches in the openitoring with the premiership play off the Premiership play off the Premiership play off the Bradford Northern v St 14 Widnes v Hull KR; Hull with and Salford v Leeds. The Mayer came back to win the service and break Teacher in the service and break Teacher in the service and break Teacher in the service and break to win the source when the score 4—3. However, Mayer came back to win the service and break to

Part one of our preview looks at the blots on the escutcheon of the summer game

Come back cricket, all is far from forgiven

By John Woodcock Cricket Correspondent I shall not much enjoy writing

I shall not much enjoy writing this preview to the cricket season because of the things which need to be said but will give no pleasure in the saying; they concern declining standards, from the behaviour of famous players to the technique of English batsmen. In the past few months, on the field of Test cricket, things have been done and condoned which, if they continue, will destroy the essence of the game. For example: in India and New Zealand stumps were kicked out of the ground

essence of the game. For example: in India and New Zealand stumps were kicked out of the ground when first a Pakistani and then a West Indian fast bowler had an appeal rejected; in New Zealand, Croft, a West Indian fast bowler, during its ron-up barged an umpire, as a reward for which he was chosen, forthwith, for the next Test match; in Australia, Lillee and the older Chappell, and many, therefore, of their young disciples treat the game as though it were some form of gang warfare, while those whose business it is to stop them look the other way.

If you think this to be an exaggeration, why was it that the Australian season ended with their first-class umpires telling lau Chappell that all was forgiven, while New South Weles were lodging a protest at the conduct of Chappell and his South Australian side? Now I hear of a boy, still at school, who, while he was making a bundred in Adelaide recently, did so against a background of abuse from a Test "ido!" at stort-leg. This is what they call "sledging" in Australia, and it is common practice.

It happens in England, too, if 6 common practice. It happens in England, too, if

not as much. For some reason it is thought manly to be belligerent. Between the way Test cricket, in some cases, was played in the

winter, and the style of the Boat

land and Wales, there seems to me to be a link. It amounts to a disregard for sporting conventions, which when it is to be found at the highest level, and is not con-demned, will have the most pro-found repercussions. found repercussions. The call for neutral umpires in

The call for neutral umpires in Test cricket is a red herring. Who wants to see the Centenary Test match at Lord's in August or, for that matter, the forthcoming series between England and West Indies, umpired by an Indian and a Pakistani? If neutral umpires are to become mandatory England will never again play in a Test match umpired by an Englishman, though English umpires are the best in the world. No, what is needed is a much less equivoral stand from the boards of authority. It is not, as some seem to think, "professionalism" to behave as the West Indian, Croft, did in New Zegland; and it is sickening to see it, to read about it and to hear the standard of umpiring being blamed for it.

standard of unpiring being blamed for it.

Small wonder that in the new edition of the Laws of Cricket it has been found necessary to extend and elaborate upon those which concern "Fair and Unfair Play". This is only the fourth revision of the laws in more than 200 years. It has been carried out over several years by MCC who, though less influential than they used to be in the admitistration of the game, are still the lawmakers. "The captains are responsible at all times for ensuring that play is conducted within ing that play is conducted within the spirit of the game as well as within the Parish laws." So begins Law 42. Law 42.

And, Mr Parish, the authorities are responsible for seeing that the captains do just that.

(Robert Parish presides over the

things that Clive Lloyd was called home recently for a wiggine from the West Indian Board of Control and that he, Holding and Croft were made to write a letter of apology to the New Zealand Cricket Board for their winter behaviour; but there is still much to be done. At the annual meeting this summer of the International Cricket Conference, it will be no nee setting a hurried hour aside to discuss these modern trends. The issue is too important for that.

Rather than neutral umpires in Rather than neutral umpires in Test marches, what I would like to see is an exchange of umpires between all countries. Not just for a couple of overseas umpires to come for a season to England. as was tried, too briefly, some years ago; but for the idea to be extended. Greater efforts need to be made, too, to make it worth the while of first-class cricketers in countries other than England to take up umpiring when they take up umpiring when

Now to England and the problems here. as seen through the
ewes of the selectors. What we
all want is to see English batsmanship come into its own again.
Well, the selectors and the cricket
committee of the Test and County
Cricket Board, chaired by Peter
May and consisting only of people
who know what they are tailing
about, believe that if this is to be
achieved the restriction which
limits each first innings of a
county championship match to
100 overs must be abolished—for
the very good reason that young the very good reason that young middle-order English batsmen (too many of the higher batting places are occupied by oversess players) find themselves going in with no atternative but to slog for the lew remaining overs of an imnings. Only after an early collapse do they have any real chance of

Race, if you like, iv which the two crews kept clashing their oars, or the infamous rugby International at Twickenham between England and Wales, there seems to the West Indian Board of Control and retain the 100-over limitation. There is an element of selfish-

There is an element of selfishness among the cournies, a narrow-mindedness which is the despair of the selectors. It is manifested in Somerset's decision to bring Sunil Gavaskar over from India for the coming season, to replace Vivian Richards who will be on tour with the West Indians, rather than take the opportunity of encouraging a player of their own; as it is in the Gloucestershire batting order when three of the first four places are filled by two Pakistanis and a South African while Foat, within a few weeks of receiving his county cap and still only 27, is given his cards. To me the most displeasing line of this year's "Playfair Cricket Annoal" appears on page 87. "The career record of Foat", it says, "will be found elsewhere."

It is shown in Derbyshire's offer of a coutract to Barry Wood, whose indebtedness to Lancashire and their members for providing him with a tax-free benefit of over 160,000 has ended far sooner than they must have hoped. Benefits being a reward for loyalty, those cricketers with theirs, or with testimonials, this season (Mike Hendrick, John Lever, David Nicholls, Jack Simmons, Barry Dudleston, Graham Roope, Geoff Cope, Barry Leadbeater, Alan Jones and Alan Hodgson) have not been best served by Derbynot been best served by Derby-shire's self-interest.

To close for today on a happier note, it was good to read how the Sussex players had made over certain of their fees for Easter coaching to the fund to fight the county's overdraft. With better husbandry their sacrifice might not have been necessary, but their gesture came as a welcome contrast to the Wood affair contrast to the Wood affair,

Swimming

Record breakers train on with trials in mind

Sharron Davies and Jackie Will-mott, stars of the international. sponsored by Mazda cars, against Sweden at Blackpool during the weekend, have not given up hope of the British Swimming Federa-tion sending a team to Moscow.

or the British Swimming Federation sending a team to Moscow. After their record-breaking performances they insisted that their main priority was to return to hard training for the Olympic trials at the end of May and leave the political decisions to the Federation who are due to meet on Saturday.

Miss Davies broke the 200 metres individual Commonwealth record with a time of 2mins 17.31 secs and then said, "I was troubled by injuries during the winter, and this has taken a great weight off my unind. Now I can start looking fodward and get down to some really hard training, which I have not been able to do so far". In order to concentrate on her training this 17-year-old girl from Plymouth seems certain to miss the Scottish national championships later this week. certain to miss the Sco national championships later week.
Miss Willmott, aged 15, from
Southend, added to her Briesh
records in the 200 metres and 800

metres freestyle events by setting a new British mark of 4mins 16,27 secs and she also indicated that secs and she also indicated that training must take precedence over the Scottish event, for which she had entered. Discussing the Olympics, Miss Willmott said, "It is up to me to do the training and leave others no make the decisions."

The British and Irish Baskethall Federation are meeting today in Stretford to determine its artifude to the Government's call for an Olympic boycott.

The Baskethall Federation's delegate, on the national Olympic Committee, Mel Welch, the EBRA secretary, voted in favour of the British Olympic Association accepting the invitation

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For the record Football

North American League NATIONAL CONFERENCE EASTERN DIVISION P. U. F. A.

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Basketball

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Racing Marathon Gold can set standard for Epsom's glittering prize

By Michael Phillips Racing Correspondent

Vincent O'Brien is likely to decide this morning whether to run Monteverdi in the 2,000 Guineas or whether to take a different path along the route that could ulti-mately lead to the Derby at Epsom in June. If he does run him in the Newmarket classic there is more than just an outside chance that he will wear blinkers in the hope that they will sharpen his ideas up rather than correct any dubious

Talking of the 2,000, Michael Stoute told me vesterday that Lord Stoute told me vesterday that Lord Seymour, his winner of the Mill Recf Stakes at Newbury last autumn, would not be in the line-up after all. "He is simply not quite right and I need to give tim more time", Stoute said. So he will be relying solely on Saturday's Greenham Stakes winner. Final Straw, who will be partnered once again by Greville Starkey. Starkey will also be on the Starkey will also be on the stable': 1.000 Guineas runner, Our stable'; 1.000 Guineas runder, Our Home, now that it is clear that Lester Piggott's allegiance lies with Robert Sangster and Millingdale Lillie. On Saturday Stoute did an unusual thing and took Our Home to the July course at Newmarket for a special gallop. Ridden by Starkey she went extremely well with two decent older horses. Home to the July course at Newmarket fur a special gallop. Ridden by Starkey she went extremely well with two decent older horses. Hardgreen and Silley's Knight. All concerned were highly delighted with the outcome of the gallop so it is clear that Our Home will be a force to be reckoned with in the first classic of the season, even though the slight injury which she sustained last month

Epsom programme

[Television (ITV): 2.30. 3.5 and 3.35 races]

2.0 CUDDINGTON STAKES (2-y-o maidens : £1,640 : 5f)

2.30 EVELYN HANDICAP (3-y-o: £2.519: 7f 11yd)

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2.1 00-0 Tuder Lyrie, B. Swill, 7-7
2.1 40300-0 City Link Express, P. Ashworth, 7-7
2.1 405 Silk, 11-1 Philips Panther, 2-2 Can-Do-More, 6-1
2.1 Link Express, 10-1 Happy Yappy, 12-1 Detention, 20-1 oth

3.5 GREAT METROPOLITAN HANDICAP (£2,939: 21m)

1-1 Heighlin, 7-2 Run Hard, 9-2 Norfolk Arrow 9-1 I chman, 10-1 Placa Suite, Dear Octopus, 12-1 Saleouard,

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12342-3 Johnny O'Day, A Maxwell 8-12
21333-0 Braughing G. Brittain 8-9
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1- Highway J. Hindley 8-9
1- Highway J. Hindley 8-9
11304-24 Lingdale W. Eley 8-9
1120- Marathon Gold, H. Cecil. 8-9
1120- Sweet Pretander, D. Sisso 8-9
00201-C Prince Warren, P. Kelleway, 8-6
1 Johnson C'Day, 11-1 Marathan Gold, 1-1 Lau

4.10 EPSOM HANDICAP (3-v-o: £2,410: 11m)

Epsom selections

Edinburgh

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

Hays First, 55-1 Paragin's Prior. 7 June 1707E Win, 47p; places, 21p, 52p; dual forecast, 55.08, CSF 52.59, J. W. Watts at Richmond, 2 J. 54.

40. (4.2) ABERLADY HANDICAP (531: 1m 5f)

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Pseudonym IC. Munce) 5-5-0

E. Hide 13-1 Jt fav. 1

Huntercombe Lae D Nicholis 17-1: 2

Wislanwick . M. Wigham (14-1: 3

ALSO RAN 3-1 k-fav fine Home.
7-1 Latin Rond, R-1 Light Lad, 9-1

Oresio, 12-1 Come On Flower, 14-1

Arisum, 16-1 Irish Prince, 20-1

Tangaen 14th, 11 ran.

TOTE: Win, 29p. places, 29p. 10p.
14p. 54p. 54p.; dual forecast, £1-24. CSF.
22.64. W. Bentley at Middleham, Hd.
21. Winner bought in for 3,600gns.

1.30 DALMENY HANDICAP (21.067)

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Regent—Leit Molif (J. Spedding)
R. Sliaebottom (11-2)
Ochil Hills Star, L. Charnock (12-1)
Star Ventura, L. Charnock (12-1)
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ALSO RAN: 9-2 Russian Winter.
7-1 Dime A Dance -4th., 12-1 Vronsky.
Darkness Visible, 15-1 Master Cutter.
Hope Elemal, Sainty Lady, 26-1 lis
Wagic, Braims and List, litch. 15

ran. TOTE: Wm. 75p: places, 20p. 50p. Hp. dual Inrecast \$5.80 CSF, 27.56. Drnys Smith, at Bishop Auckland, H.

1.0 (5.5) INVERESK STAKES
(Maidens 20.76 lm)

POUNENTES, bc. by Tumble WindLa Chennteuse (W. McGhle),
3-8-5 ... E Hide (7-2) 1

Mast Timothy D Nicholis (12-1) 2

Melendy ... K. Darley (20-1) 3

ALSO BAN 3-2 k-1-3-4 Hillsdown

Melandy ... K. Darley 130-11 3
ALSO RAN: 3-2 k-lays Hillsdown
Cold 13th, Speedway, 10-1 Polliform,
(2-1 Anne Rockette, 13-1 Gay Grange,
10-1 Ambasador Boy, 20-1 Rejuvanalor, Maygold, Seaspy, 12 ran,
TOTE: Win, 48p; places, 12p, 76p,
88 35; dual forecast, 12, 15 CSF;
23 71 G W. Richards, at Greystoke,
31 41.

31. 41. PLACEPOT . £105.

3.35 BLUE RIBAND TRIAL STAKES (Group III: 3-y-o c & g

7-3 Johnny G'Day 12-4 Marathan Gold, 3-1 Last Fandango, 8-1 Highway 10-1 Lingdale, 12-1 Braughing 16-1 others.

01- Mi Whitney, B Hills 9-7 1- Can-De-Most, N Callaghan, 3-9 -314 Bond Dealer, R. Switt, 8-9

4.45 BUNBURY STAKES (3-y-o maidens: £1,898: 7ft 11yd)

Osacrob et Goggers, p. Swin, 8-11 3 Mister Lucky, 3-1 What A Sham, 9-2 Irish Commandment, 6-1 Hardinva: Brontolino, 10-1 Hava-Nagila, 12-1 Stonehenge, 20-1 others.

By Our Racing Correspondent 2.0 Fleur de Gallas. 2.30 Hor Silk. 3.5 Run Hard. 3.35 Marathon Gold. 4.10 Mat Whitney. 4.45 Irish Commandment.

907 00-314 Bond Dealer, R. Swill Book 5, 509 06431-0 Smashing Fellow R Hannon, 8-3 M. 510 06210-2 Hot Trail (B), P. M. Taylor, 8-5 R. 511 000- Midsummer Boy P. Astroorth, 7-11 P. Bra 11-R Can-Oo-Most, S. Harris, 7-11 P. Bra 11-R Can-Oo-Most, S. Harris, 7-12 Bond Dealer, 8-1 Hot Smashing Fellow, 16-1 others

has prevented her from having a race proper:

In the circumstances it will be interesting to see how Hardgreen goes against the likes of R B Chesne and New Berry in the Westbury Stakes at Sandown on Saturday. Meanwhile, Vincent O'Brien has formulated plans for two of his other good three-year-lolds. At Longchamp on Sunday he will saddle Night Alert for the Poule d'Essai des Poulains the French equivalent of our 2,000 s Guineze.

But Doubland a grain this afternoon. Obviously again this afternoon. Obviously the advantage of a previous race this season lies with Johnny O'Day, but that should be candelled out by the fact that Marathon Gold is the better and what is more he will be receiving weight from his old rival this afternoon, simply because he has not won a group race.

It would be quite wrong however to paint this as a two horse race. Other futners of interest are Braughing, whose trainer Clive Brittain was successful 12 months

The day before he will be at Sandown Park to see Huguenot take pot luck in the 10-furlong Classic Trial there which first alcred people to the fact that Troy might win the Derby last year. At Sandown Huguenot will encounter Ginistrelli. Henbit and Macter Willie to name but three. Master Willie to name but three. With Johnny O'Day standing his ground for the Blue Riband Trial at Epsom this afternoon we will soon be in an even better position soon be in an even better position to assess both Night Alert and Huguenot. Johnny O'Day fimished a head and a neck behind Night Alert in the Gladness Stakes at the Curragh 10 days ago. Last autumn he was also beaten by Huguenot in the Beresford Stakes, that time by threequarters of a length.

are Braughing, whose trainer Clive Brittain was successful 12 months ago with Foveros; Last Fandango, Highway and Sweet Pretender. Last Fandango won a maiden race nicely at Newmarket last Thursday; Highway a similar affair at Sandown last September when he beat Running Mill.

Sweet Pretender is trained by Duncan Sasse who prepared

Sweet Pretender is trained by Duncan Sasse who prepared Roland Gardens to win both this race and the 2,000 Guineas two years ago. Like Roland Gardens, Sweet Pretender will be carrying the colours of John Hayrer who, together with others, forked out 54,000 guineas for him at Newmarket in December when he was sold on the orders of the executors of the late Sir Charles Clore. Sweet Pretender, who won over a Sweet Pretender, who won over a mile at Chantilly last year, is a full brother to that good horse Anne's Pretender, who is now at stud in France. However, Marathon Gold is the form horse and is preferred. is preferred.

For years now the Great Metropolitan Handicap has been something of a benefit for horses who have been busy hurdling during the winter and I can see no reason

Brighton results

3.45 (3.52) PRINCE OF WALES
STAKES (3-y-0: 22.64: 1½m)
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John Widing J. Matthias (33-1: 2
Signmaker B. Rouse (13-1) 3

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ALSO RAN 8-1 Joveno 10-1 Shoot
The Sun Espaciable 14-1 Uncle Dick
(A) 13-3-1 Leftak City. Cyprus Sun
Golden Horseshoe Legan, Mistress
Motra, Polcutta. 15 ran. NR: Anna's
Pet.
TOTE: Win, 17: places, 12p, 512.01.
11p: dual forecast, 24, 97. CSF: 82.06.
J. Dunlop, at Arundel, 2min 6.41sec.
J. Dunlop, at Arundel, 2min 6.41sec.



Brighton belle: Miss Quaver takes the rail/road to victory over Red Russet in the Orleans Stakes.

why it should be any different this time with Run Hard, Heigh-lin, Chandheer and Norfolk Arrow lin, Chandheer and Norfolk Arrow all in the line-up. Since winning the Triumph Burdle at Cheltenham, Heighlin has already had one race on the Flat at Kempton Park. There he was unable to ward off Mon's Beau and today he may well be unable to cope with Run Hard, who has certainly come good during the last two months with successive victories at Chepstow and Ascot (twice).

stow and Ascot (twice). Turnell cleared: Andy Turnell. a jockey, and Alan Jarvis, a trainer were exonerated yesterday in the "Hill of Slane affair". A Jockey Club disciplinary committee found that neither Turnell

nor Jarvis had committed any breaches of the rules of racing. Turnell was cleared of improper and excessive use of the wing on Hill of Slane. Jarvis faced the committee because of the insura-tions he had given regarding the riding of the horse. Hill of Slane finished second. beaten by a neck by Starfen in

the £10,500 Kennedy Asphalt Hurdle at Liverpool's Grand National meeting. Turnell was reported to the stewards of the jockey club for excessive use of the widp.

STATE OF GOING cofficials: Epson.
Firm. Nottingham: Fir. Perth: Firm.
Tomorrow: Pontefract: Firm.

Perth NH programme 1.45 (1.46) ORLEANS STAKES (2-5-0: £1.637: Sf) (2-y-o: £1.557: Sf)

MISS QUAVER, b !. by Averof—
Quick Bern (Mys J. Regiat),
9-3 ... W. Carson (5-2) 1
Red Rassot ... J. Matthias .4-1) 2
Steel Garrison P. Eddery (Pyris fav. 2
P. Eddery (Pyris fav. 3
Fall. 2.15 BLACK WATCH HURDLE (Selling handicap: 5483: 2m) 15 BLACK WATCH HURDLE (Selling handicap: £483: 2m)

20-0000 Four Masters, J. McCarthy, 6-12-0

20-0000 Aller Stanwick (D), W. A. Stephenson, 7-20-6

20-0000 Reven, H. Burns, 6-20-0

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TOTE Win 25p Dual F: 35p CSFE1.21. R. Hannon, at Mariborough.
Sh hd, 4 l. 1min 3.14sec. CAP (£1,727. 1'sm)
WINGED DAGGER, b g, by Falcon
—Cay Natasha (Mrs J. 016').
11-8-5. J. Matthias (11-1').
Oil Mongleur A. Wright (10-1').
Chorus Line W. Carson (7-2).
ALSO RAN: 3-1 fave Stitherum. 9-2.
Hert Capitan, 8-1 Lord of Misrule.
Tamarind Gem. 11-1 Body Blow. 14-1
Star Performance, 35-1 Court House
(4th). Flying Lyndsay. 11 rap. NR:
Hampshire.

2.45 STRATHEARN CHASE (Handicap: £1,004: 2!m) 304312 Tangles Brother, T. Craig, 8-11-8.
201121 Arcac Andor (D), G. Richards, 6-11-2.
303040 Weather All, J. Wilson, 9-10-0.
201049 Golden Express (C.D), J. Dedds, 11-10-0.
2 Arctic Andor, 9-1 Tangles Brother, 6-1 Weather All, 23-1

3.15 DRAG HUNT HURDLE (Handicap: 5956: 3m)

STAKES 122,809 Lm.

BONNIE ISLE, b f by, Pitcairn—
Ruddy Duck (A. Struthers) 1-9-9

W. Carson (15-8) 1

Chukaroo, ..., P. Robinson (13-1) 2

Tahitian King, J. Mercer (7-1 fav. 3

ALSO RAN: 4-1 Millbank (4th.) 1.1-1

Aldoburoh Festival, 20-1 Norbury. 25-1

Sunbarst, 35-1 Arts and Sparks, and

Duke of York, S0-1 Periculo Ludius,
County Down, Hadera, Get Me Out,
Mitchless Dancer, Winde Up, 15 fan.

TOTE, Win. 26p; places, 11p. 11p.
19p. Dual Foregest: 67p. CSF: £3.02.

J. Dunlop at Afundel, 21, 14, 1 min.
34.06 Sec. 3.45 MEMORIES CHASE (Handicap: 52,078: 3m) 3.4-0 C & g :

A. Murrat 1

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J. Lynch 1

B. Taylor 8

S. Cauthen 6

P. Eddery 5

S. Fladery 5

S. Highway.

S. Cauthen 7

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R 20004 Valiant Charger (D.), F. Winter, 6-10-11 ... is recomb
11 224412 The Engineer, Ld Kilman: 8-10-0 ... G. Molmes
14 040004 Haineys Machine, G. Richards, 10-10-0 ... N. Doughty 4
6-4 Bishops Pawn, 9-4 Valiant Charger, 9-2 The Engineer, 6-1 Tae Loncer,
8-1 Haineys Machine,

4.15 STORMONT CHASE (Novices: £926: 2m) 072303 Barretistown Boy, R. Fisher, 7-11-0

034 Cantinhugh, R. Whitaker, 9-11-0

200001 Dr Guilletins (D), W. Fairgrieve, 5-11-0

44000 Lirko, Mrs Lamyann, 9-11-0

000 Moving Spirit, R. Cross, 8-11-0

200400 Park Row, Denrys Smith, 7-11-0

ppus Russell, R. Haigh, 7-11-0 4.45 ATHOLL HURDLE (4-y-o novices: £497: 2m)

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002032	Gorsty, S. Richmond, 11-6	N. O'Shea	
003038	Belle Isle Boy, W. Smith, 10-10	I. J. O Neili	
008015bary, Mir. Cousins, 10-10	N. Tickier		
00904	Caral Gold, C. Lemb, 10-10	R. Lamb	
64	Fat Marty, R. Johnson, 10-10	C. Grant, 4	
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Perth NH selections

By Our Racing Staff 2.15 Cap Too. 2.45 Arctic Ander. 3.15 Grecian Fighter. 3.45 Valiant Charger. 4.15 Swanee Prioce. 4.45 Flemish Giant.

4.15 (4.18: CONFLAME HANDICAP (3-y-0: \$1,780: 6f) BETSY REB, ch f by Mouni Hagen —My Sterre Loone (M. Sincber). 8-10 ... P. Robinson (2-1) 1 Mabho ... P. Robinson (2-1) 1 Mabho ... P. Eddery (9-2) 2 Helexia ... G. Ramshaw (7-2 fav: 3 ALSO RAN: 7-1 Toksax 12-1 Fairmile Lad. Randd Sprind, 25-1 Pick O'The Catch (4th., Robinson, 8 ran. TOTE: Win. 24p: places, 10p. 27p. 11p: dual forecast, 57p. CSF: £1.17. F. Durr, at Newmarket, 1-1, 11. TOTE DOUBLE: Winged Dagger and Bonnie Isle, £28.90 TREBIE: Bonnie Isle, Bhas Bounty and Prince Monalco, £295.50, JACKPOT: not won. Roof of today. PLACEPOT: £10.05. 2.0 Fleur de Gallas. 2.30 Can-Do-More. 3.35 Marathon Gold. 4.10 Can-Do-Most. 4.45 Irish Commandment. Nottingham programme

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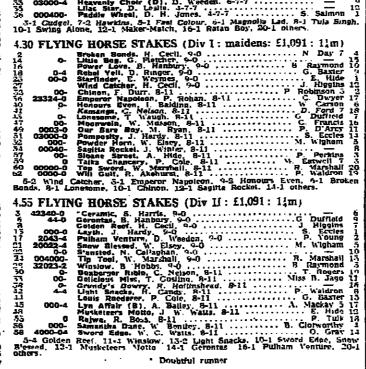
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By Our Racing Correspondent 2.0 Hound Song. 2.30 Hego's Hero. 3.0 Jubilee Lights. 3.30 Swagger Stick. 4.0 Fast Colour. 4.30 Wind Catcher. 4.55 Winslow.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.0 Hound Dog. 3.0 Jubilee Lights. 3.30 Jolimo. 4.0 Fast Colour. 4.30 Rebel Yell. 4.55 Winslow.

5.15 (5.35) OUASHED TWO-YEAR-OLD MAIDEN STAKES (2-y-o mardens: 2725; 5) ARSHIP, br c by Manado—High Sphere, 2-0 ... J. Reid (14-1) 1 Mr Gas ... (12-1) 2 Ramwadesh ... 13-8 fav. 3 ALSO flan. 100-30 Distinated Dollar. 9-2 El Inglais, 16-1 Weish Noble 48h; 20-1 Ballimobe, Youngain Record, Westerpayne 3-1 Bouvent, Carifler, Conference, Espiroton, Golden Turshan, Gallage, Laughing, May Ge Twice, Maypa Rod, Veya, 18 rd. TOTE Win \$2,11; places 46p, 21p, 180; dual forecast, £12,27. GFS: £18,71. R. Johnson Höughton, at Didcot, 21,1. J. NR. Banbury Cross.

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TOTE: Win, £7, 76, places, 58p, 25p, 19p, 22p, dual forecast, £35, 35; CSI, 19, 99, C. Hill at Bornstaple, Head, 11, 1 Super Fit did Rot run. 4.15 (1.50) UGHT BROGADE STAKES 4.45 (3.50) then the control of the Mistress Medina P. Whidron (10-1) 3
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Horse trials

Only serious hazard caused by going

ship three-day events all over the world. Going round the cross-country on Friday, it seemed easier than usual, with the exception of the instal, with the extended to require accuracy of the sort more usually associated with show jumping. Most of the fences were familiar, the quadruple bounce at the Dog Kennels was merely an extension of an exer-

were familiar, the quadruple bounce at the Dog Kennels was merely an extension of an exercise with which riders had become acquainted in 1967, and the only serious hazard seemed to be the going, which was hard for mid-April and apparently also poached (cut up when wer). Obviously, the older horses had problems, but not, one imagines, the young and the sound.

If was consoling to learn that Lord Hugh Russell, who inspected the course in an official capacity some weeks earlier with Captain Martin Whitely and Captain Michael Naylor-Leyland, had arrived at the same conclusion. "We felt that, as always, it was big, but there were no bad fences—and this was proved by the fact that the faults were well spread around the course. But the fact that the faults were well spread around the course. But the fact that the faults were well spread around the course. But the fact that the faults were well spread around the course. But the fact that the faults were well spread around a difference to the impression we received.

By Pamela Macgregor-Morris

Every international three-day event is followed by a post than most, as the one horse trial in the world that has stood the less few strides. This restriction of time for the Olympics and the important championships. In the important championships, In in 1949, when, the Duke of Beautiful Trevor Horn used to supervise the construction of a fence and then important to on their hunters to ascertain how it rode—to the tooghest, most sophisticated course in the world, master toused by Colonel Frank Weldon with his wealth of experience as an Olympic champion and more recently, as course builder and richnical delegate at champion-ship three-day events all over the three upreceding days. The three upreceding days. The middle of the course—there were not sufficient fences where a titler could kick on and say "this is fur," building up his own and his house's confidence before being faced with another problem, such as the drops. By the time they reached the Sunken Road, horses were sick of them.

Jape Holderness-Roddam felt that the thousands of pairs of feet had compacted the going over the three preceding days. "The course itself was not that difficult, but the going was too hard. Badminton is usually more difficult; than the Olympic Games, it.

cult, but the going was too herd. Badminton is usually more difficult, than the Olympic Games, it asks the question over and over again, but the strain should be on the rider's brain and not on the horse's. I much prefer to jump the course the other way round. On Wednesday, it looked nice, and green, but on Saturday it was not the same at all after people had climbed on the bank, slid down the sides, and removed most of the grass. The steeple-chase, however, was a great improvement, and horses finished fresh because they were not on the same rein all the time."

The course was built as an Olympic trial and it may be used as an Olympic substitute later in the season, for Lummhlen was used for the European champion, ship last summer. I understand third in the world championship for Ireland on Cambridge Bine, and was one of the winning team in Germany list year for the European title; has asked not to be selected for the Irish Olympic team for reasons of principle; and that several of his team colleagues are of a similar persuasion.

Watson drops a hint to Trevino-and two shots

Carlsbad, California. April 21.

Despite a two-stroke penalty assessed for advice to Lee Trevino at the thirteenth hole, and relayed on national television, Tom Watson scored a three-stroke victory in defence of his title in the Tournament of Champions at Rancho la Costa. Playing with Trevino in the last pairing, Watson told him that he was hitting the ball too far forward in his stance.

The information was relayed to the television audience by commentators. Moments later a viewer called PGA tour officials and questioned the legality of the advice.

"Jack Tuthill [PGA tournament director] asked me about it after I finished." Watson said. "It was a violation of the rules. I told him I accept the penalty." It changed his closing one-under-par 66 and. Strange. scored a 67. Lou Graham was alone on 282 after a par 72. Trevino in the last pairing, watson the cournament. Watson the cournament.

Watson stated the day in front, stayed in front and finished in front. He fed by five when play. No one ever got closer to day. No one ever got closer t

outcome of the tournament. Watson, the game's outstanding liant young Spaniard who won the player for the past three seasons, claimed his third ride of the year and twenty-first of his career with a merican circuit with a 73 for a and twenty-first of his career with a total of 276, 12 under par, on the 6,889 yd course. It was the fourth time since 1978 that he had made a successful defence. Watson's win in an event that Watson's win in an event that brought together professional rour wingers over the past year was worth \$54,000 from a total purse of \$300,000. It swelled his winnings to \$201,525 with the season less than half gone. It enabled him to pass Arnold Palmer and take third place on the list of all-time money wingers, behind lack time money winners, behind Jack Nicklaus and Trevino. Watson has

Consistent Pfeil wins with a shot to spare

Tallahassee, Florida, April 21.—
Mark Pfeil had two one-under-parrounds of 71 yesterday to win
the Tallahassee Open
After a day in which 36 holes were played to make up for the previous day's washout of the third round. Pfell, from Califormia, finished with an 11-under-par 277 total, one-stroke ahead of Mark Lye and Bill Rogers Mark Lye and Bill Rogers

Bob Murphy, who opened with
a 65 and was in contention until
the final nine holes, tied with the
South African Bobby Cole for
fourth place with a total of 279.
Pfeil, in his fourth year on the tour, seemed to be heading for a comfortable win after birdies on the cleventh, twelfth and fifteenth holes for a twostroke lead, only to falter going over par at the sixteenth and seventeenth. A par four on the long eighteenth hole brought him the title.

FINAL AGGREGATES: 277: M. Pfell. 69. 66. 71. 71: 278: M. Lye, 58. 72. 68. 70: W. Rogers. 68. 67. 69. 74: 279: R. Cole ISA1. 72. 67. 69. 71: R. Murphy, 65. 71. 79. 73: 280: R. Caldwell. 67. 68. 75. 70: T. Mauncy. 70. 72. 68. 70: S. Melnyk. 68. 79. 72. 70: M. Sullivan. 74. 68. 69. 69: 281: D. Edwards. 73. 67. 70. 71: R. Streck. 70. 72. 71: 68. 322: T. Jones. 67. 69. 75. 76: 283: B. Raugh, 70. 70. 71. 73: J. Hazz. 71. 72. 71. 69.—Reutor. the eleventh, twelfth and fifteenth

Run of birdies earns win for Miss White

Severiano Ballesteros, the bril-

American circuit with a 73 for a total of 290. Hale Irwin, the US

Orlando, Florida, April 20.—
Donna White had birdies on three consecutive holes to beat Jane Blatock, the defending champion, by one stroke in the \$190,000 Florida Citrus Golf Tournament today. Miss White, the 1976 United States amateur champion, scored 70, three under-par, today to fluish on 283 for her first professional victory. Miss Blatock, who shared the lead with her at the start of today's round, was round in 71.

At one point, seven players were within a stroke of the lead but Miss White jumped ahead with birdies at the 12th and 14th holes. Miss Blatock came within one shot with a birdie at the final hole, where she marrowly missed her 30 foot putt for an cagle.

FINAL SCORES: 285; D. Whits, 70, 75, 70, 70; 284; J. Blatock, 71.

Motor cycling

Roberts to lead riders' campaign for safety

and the need for more medical personnel at some venues are all major items on the first agenda of the Professional Riders' Associa-The association was formed dur-

The association was formed during the close season when a small working party of riders headed by world 500cc champion Kenny Roberts of the United States formulated a basic set of rules and concepts. When all the competitors gather in Salzburg, host city for the opening round of the 1980 world championship, this weekend, they will approve these proposals for a united voice and add weight to their campaig nfor improvements.

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The question of safety in international motor cycle racing will be discussed at the inaugural meeting of the Grand Prix Riders' Union in Salzburg, Austria on Friday.

Potentially dangerous circuits, the trainin gof trackside marshals officer in the association's admining of the control of the association's admining the rest for more medical interest for the association's admining the control of the association's admining the control of the association's admining the control of the officer in the association's administration, said, "The need for a roders' union grew more important as it became apparent that world series could not be launched without a long legal wrangle with the FIM. The problem centred on the right to state meetings without FIM approval. If we had had more stime available the outcomering thave been very different." He added, "We expect an attendance ob about 160 riders in Sairburg and want them to approve our plan for a riders' committee, comprising one representative from every country involved in Grand Prix racing, plus a small administrative group who will for a united voice and add weight to their campaig nfor improvements.

Roberts was the rider heavily involved in the abortive attempt to launch the pirate world sories racing in direct opposition to the Grand Prix events sanctioned by the International Motor Cycle Federation (FIM), the sport's governing body.

Grand Prix racing, plus a small look after the day to day running of the association could play an important role in the fragre of bike racing at all levels because a united voice just has to be listened to by the people who run the property of the people who run the people who run the property of the people who run the property of the people who run the people who run the people who run the property of the people who run the people who run

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Sir William Quiller Orchardson/Early Victorian Draughtsmen and the Rise of the Scottish Academy

National Gallery of Scotland, Edinburgh

Lord Leverhulme Royal Academy

Though the idea of a distinct, if not wholly separate, tradi-tion of painting in Scotland during the tweotieth century is now firmly established. Scots inevitably feel impelled also to look farther back and see if they can discover the roots of such a tradition in earlier times. With twentieth-century artists there is plenty of evidence superficially apparent to the eye, particularly in the brilliant use of colour which seems common to many other-wise utterly diverse Scottish painters, and a very general involvement in the shape of the Scottish landscape and the changing moods of Scottish weather, even in the work of rigorous non-representationa-lists. But with earlier generations it is not so simple.

As befits a National Gallery, the Scottish National Gallery has recently been exploring such questions in a series of exhibitions which at the same time enable it to show more than the tip of its own collect here, and it is a useful oppor-

teness, the handling of specifical accident. And whether the cally local subject-matter. Now, stay-at-homes are appreciably until June 30, there are two more Scottish than the more shows running almost side-by-side; one an anthology of drawings in the Department of Prints and Drawings, by Scottish artists from the 1820s to the 1850s; the other a conspectus of the career of Orchardson, a leading Scottish artist, if not necessarily an artist in Scotland, during the last quarter of the century.

The question of professional location is as important, or as unimportant, as you choose to make it. Certain it is that those Scottish artists who headed for the South and the bigger, more publicized art market of London tended then to be bester known and remain so, if only by historical inertia, until this day. The Scottish Academy was founded in 1826 as a spinner group of dissidents from the policies of the very backward-looking Institu-tion for the Encouragement of the Fine Arts, which then had a stranglehold on the develop-ment of a modern (which then meant on the whole a Romantic) art in Scotland. Unexpectedly it triumphed over its adversary and west from strength to strength, until in 1838 it gained its royal charter and became a close equivalent of the London Royal Academy north of the border.

Victorian The early draughtsmen commemorated in this show were all connected with it at some time in their careers, but they split almost down the middle between those like William Dyce, Noel Paton and William Bell Scott, transferred their activitees to England, and those, like Thomas Duncan and

emigres. From the evidence here assembled, one can at least say

that James Drummond seems

to be a very interesting and

accomplished artist who should

clearly be better known. One can also confirm that the Scottish Dyce was a very pale and uninteresting artist, no more than his label of "the British Nazarene" would imply, and that it was only in the last decade of his life, in England, that his art made a quantum that his art made a quantum leap into something compelling and totally distinctive. It is hard to beleve that the same artist who painted Pegwell Bay in the Tate can have done these boring drawings of the Holy Family; but presumably something in his own life (something on which the recent biography throws no light) must have brought about the change rather than merely contact with the London art world. A third comforting thought is that any doubts one may have about the alleged genius of David Scott are amply confirmed; it is William Bell Scott, most loyal of publicists and brothers. emerges as far the more telling artist.

What one does not on the whole get from the drawings is a sense of colour. But in the nineteenth-century paintings one passes on the way to the Orchardsons a dis-Linctive colour sense is quently evident-not the brilcolouring of twentieth-century Scots, but a taste for warm golden-brown tones which seems to derive like Thomas Duncan and tones which seems to derive that the treasures of the Lady James Drummond, who stayed from the geure pieces of Wilat home. Both are represented kie in the previous generation, have been lost to view in the here, and it is a useful opporIt recurs again, almost obsess same way as these works from than the up of its own collection's iceberg. At the begintion's iceberg. At the begintinity to judge whether the sively, in Orchardson's paintings.

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unobtrusive, as, almost, was Miss Queffelec's dexterity in

"Pour les notes repetees" and "Pour les huit doigts".

pieces, which he compared with

an aquarium wherein the fish sometimes are motionless and

sometimes regroup themselves

in sudden accesses of nervous

Instead of the refinements of

show does in certain respects give that the lie; its organizers have fished out of the depths of the reserve collection and happily unglazed a completely unfamiliar full-length portrait of the artist's wife-to-be (1872) which sets a brilliant red dress against a fresh green landscape in a way Orchardson's later russet-tinted tales from Scott and eighteenth-century anecdotes would never lead us to expect

More effective still is the juxtaposition regular finished paintings with the full-size drawings almost Orchardson used to make first, as well as very sketchy first notions and painstakingly detailed studies like that of the canework at the back of the settee on which Master Baby lies. Though Master Bahy Baby icself, very properly one of Orchardson's best-remembered works, avoids the stricture, elsewhere it is very obvious that compared with the free and atmospheric drawings the paintings tend to be overworked and uncentred. Perhaps it is the old Romantic British preference for the sketch over the finished work, but I do not think so: in the paintings the details are seldom satisfactorily subordinated to the whole design; the drama of the drawing for Voltaire and the emotion of the drawing for Mariage de Convenance-After are alike dissipated in a welter of fid-getty detail. But the drawings, too large to be normally

shown, remain an astonishing achievement. It cannot be said, exactly,

Oueen Elizabeth Hall

light itself, as perfect an indi-cator of the ideals and realities of its time as one could hope to find. Rafael Orozco

Joan Chissell Rafael Orozco is Spanish, which his audience might have de-

duced from his piano playing on Sunday afternoon, even if they had not known in advance. He wisely devoted most of the recital to sonatas by Beethoven and Liszt that could it was thrilling to hear this accommodate, indeed that thrived on, his fiery drive and liking for the big, bold effect. But in choosing to introduce himself in Brahms's Sixteen the move, was rhythmically controlled without being put into a straightjacket. Waltzes, Op 39, he emphasized the distance between his own country and Brahms's adopted Vienna.

An excitable, even aggressive, plunge into the work gave warning that we were not going

of tempo, mood, and touch throughout, and always he drew attention to points of construc-tional cunning, such as the partwriting in the last. But, stimulating as it was, not least when

John Russell Taylor paprika, one was a little too aware of an interpreter at work. The expression, including some of the rubato, seemed calculated

rious, even to locals, between Birkenhead and Chester, has

hardly been conducive to fami-

liarity. The present exhibition at the Royal Academy (until

May 25) pleasingly brings the cream of the collection to Lon-

don for those without the time

or the energy to go rummaging around in the Wirral for it.

Lord Leverthuline (as he eventually became) was a great collector in the late Vic-

torian mould, extremely eclec-tic in his tastes but with a particular partiality for the English school in the fine and

applied arts. (There are also

some Iberian primitives and, as

familie verte.) In general at-mosphere the collection comes

way that gives one very much

some outstanding eighteenth-century English paintings, but

more interesting and indicative

are the works by Leverhulme's contemporaries, ranging in date from a superb Leighton, The Garden of the Hesperides, and an ambitious late Millais,

Lingering Autumn (which many are beginning to find appealing again, though I must confess I am not among them)

contess I am not among them)
to a good portrait of the collector by Augustus John.
Really neglected Victorians
like Frederick Walker, J. W.
Waterhouse and G. H. Mason
are also dusted off for our inspertions and the charm's

taste at work.

Beethoven's Appasionata was a different story. Mr Orozco swept the first and last movements along at hurricane force, the momentum never for a moment abating. Even if now and again he went through his tone in the heat of excitement, it was thrilling to hear this music projected at such high

rather than natural and inevit-

Finally, Liszt's B minor sonata, and those who collect performances of it may have to wait a long time before hearing its bravura, particularly those precipitato octaves, discharged more dashingly. In this work to be lulled to sleep with a Mr Orozco no doubt threw in string of cosy tunes.

There were piquant contrasts

Mr Orozco no doubt threw in too much too soon, instead of saving up for big moments to come.

He could also have profitably cultivated more seductive and subtle variations of tone colour in the slower central section. But here again his flaming in-tensity and drive won the day.

Romanian and received her training in Bucarest from Gabriela Ionitza, a pupil of the great Russian teacher Agrippina Vaganova. Saru herself was sent Moscow towards the end of her training to follow the class of perfection at the Bol-shoi. She currently has a con-tract with the company at Karlsrube, and Seymour, having seen heer dance, invited her to Munich for a guest perfomance.
Saru is tall, dark and extremely pretty—no great disadvantage for a dancer. She is sifted with marvellously expressive back and arms, exquisite feet and, although obviously nervous on this occasion, a bril liant technique. Generally her dancing reminds one very much of Beriosova, with the same grandeur and richness of move-

ment Her interpretation was intelligent and clearly conveyed and she is one of the few dancers who make and maintain a convincing stylistic differentiation between the white and black acts. All the more sad there-fore, that the repertory at Karlsrube gives her little oppor-tunity to dance the classics, this being her fürst Swan Lake for

more than a year.

Seymour is coming to the end of her contract at Munich, where she has continued to dance as well as direct. Their loss will be our gain, since we may hope to see her again dancing in this country, but she has certainly left her successor with a sound base upon which His Odette/Odile was a to build, especially among the Some of the reviews on the ancer of truly exceptional corps de ballet and the younger page are reprinted from members of the company.

LPO/Previn Festival Hali

William Mann

Now that André Previn is no longer the principal conductor of the LSO, he has time to work with other British orchestras. On Sunday he made his first appearance with the London Phitharmonic Orchestra and its choir, conducting Berlioz's Grande messe des morts.

Berlioz's Requiem is no longer regarded here as a curious, almost fabulous monster, but live performances remain rariues, if only because it is costly to engage the extra orchestral musicians required four brass bands, 10 impanists. Now that André Previn is no

four brass bands, 10 mmpanists, 10 pairs of cymbals, four tamtams, and so on. This LPO/Previo account was motivated a gramophone recording. The opportunity to expendence the glorious music "in the flesh" brought a well-filled ball. Sometimes there were more decibels than desirable. Previn had disposed the brass bands in auditorium boxes: when in auditorium boxes: when they were in full cry, in the Tuba mirian, neat ensemble went by the board since their fanfares set up echoes across the hell, and the detailed content of the music was inevitably blurred, as it was again in the almighty climax of the Lacromosa. the Lacrymosa.
Fortmately most of Berlioz's

Requiem is far from noisy; indeed the criterion of a performance is not sheer volume and weight of tone so much as and weight of tone so much as the delicacy of soft passages and special effects. The solemn, spacious chords for flutes, like natural overtones of the trombone's bass notes, were imperfectly balanced by Beecham standards—they sounded merely odd. But the swish of cymbals in Sanctus was truly awe inspiring, six pairs (not three) spread across the platform playing in whispers; the chords for similarly massed timpani were truly clear, their rapid crescendo-diminuendo in Lacrymosa highly dramatic.
The London Philharmonic

befits the period of his collect-ing, some spectacular oriental porcelain, blue-and-white and mosphere the collection comes nearest, perhaps, to the Wal-lace Collection, mingling fine furniture and tapestries with painting and sculptures in a Choir impressed as much in gentle, exquisitely nuanced legato music (plenty of it, and difficult to vocalize nearly) as in the grandly dramatic sections. for example the jerky accents at "Solvet saeclum in favilla", the feeling of a single guiding imaginatively and vividly done. There were some untidy In this selection are featured

moments, easy to rectify during recording sessions. Robert Tear coped amazingly well with the uncomfortable tessitura of Sanctus which must sound angelically easy. Previn guided us through the work with evident knowledge and purpose, bur did not match the classic nobility of expression, nor the divine panache, of the inter-pretations I have most admired in the past.

Suoraan Purcell Room

Paul Griffiths

pection, and the show is rounded off by a room of architectural materials related to the creation of Port Sun-Composers who run performing groups must beware of programming good music along with their own. James Clarke and Richard Emsley, joint direc-tors of the year-old ensemble Suoraan, had each provided something of passable interest for Sunday's concert, but they made the error of prefacing their efforts with brief but fascinating medleys of works by a greater pair, Brian Ferneyhough and John Cage. Coming after the Ferneyhough, Clarke's Laulu laululta seemed to plod laboriously uphill from drifting

oboe melody to wordless song to final rush for the quartet of instruments. And Cage was no sympathetic prelude to the insistent repeated notes of Emsley's Skhistos, which ended with flue, choe, niano and vibraphone all drilling away madly in the extreme troble. The Ferneyhough part of the programme began with an early Invention for Plano which had been revised for this first performance by Michael Finnissy, a composer wise enough on this occasion

to keep to the role of instru-mentalist. Short, fast and frantic, the Invention was a suitable introduction to a couple of later and more fully developed works, Coloratura for oboe and piano and Cassandra's Dream Song for solo flute, which demonstrate, and indeed are fuelled by, the composer's impatience with his

composer's impatience with his resources.

The players are obliged to undertake a desperate chase after the details and the implications of the notation, which seems itself, for all its fearsome complexity, to be trying hard but hopelessly to keep pace with the composer's thought. Coloratura still remains within the bounds of imaginable possibility and here it had the benediction of a beautiful performance by Christopher Redgate. Cassandra's Dream Song has gone dra's Dream Song has gone beyond those bounds, and Perneyhough specifically in-structs that it is not to be helped by polished presenta-tion, although Nancy Ruffer did not seem wrong to hint at the smooth shapes of ideas cut off.

If Ferneyhough's music pursues a consciously self-defeating overload of detail, then ing overload of detail, then Cage's quest for featurelessness provides a nice complement. Here the journey began with the Composition for Three Voices, a flat chromatic passacaglia played on flute, coranglais and piano. Josephine Nendick then gave a properly plain account of a chented excerpt from Finnesans Wake, followed by Mr Finnissy indulging the resonances of Dream, a ing the resonances of Dream, a a piece of Americanized Satie. Finally, snatches from the hophazard Concert were pasted together with evident forethought, which may have been poor Cage but was certainly more useful than the normal playpen approach to indeterminacy.

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planistic craft, one was led to reflect, in the cases of "Pour les quartes" and "Pour les agrements", on Boulez's des-cription of some of his own One needs to be alert to listen properly to Debussy Etudes, and far more so, of course, to pley them. The moods, as well as the thematic materials are juxtaposed kaleidoscopically to produce forms that are elusive energy. Debussy appears to have anticipated him here. and self-renewing. Besides, diatonic, chromatic and modal ideas, as well as fleeting references to the most diverse and

unexpected styles, co-exist, and are transformed in a matter of seconds. Yesterday lunchtime Anne

Queffelec, substituting at short notice for Michel Béroff, vividly focused all these elements in performances that were mercurial yet exact. Such a paradox seems most apt for "Pour les quartes", where the invention is non-stop, without any recall of earlier passages. In "Pour les agrements", too, the variety of touch range of dynamics and of touch, range of dynamics and subtleties of pedalling were impressive, but so integral to the

Brahms's Variations and Fuge on a Theme of Handel made an appropriate, if made an appropriate, if obviously contrasting, companion piece to the Debussy Etules in that it, also, systematically explores many espects of piano writing and perform-ance, and sets itself strict, thematically based limits for doing so. Miss Queffelec again

hers was a distinguished performance, quite without the heaviness which sometimes spoils the playing of Brahms. Even the concluding fugue maintained a resolute clarity.

showed herself to be in com-mand of all the problems, and

Swan Lake Bayarian State Opera Munich Judith Cruikshank

Munich has a long history of ballet dating back to the court entertainments of the sixteenth century. In 1795 the Viganos were accused of obscenity for appearing there in La Fille Mal Gardée, a ballet which in Ash-ton's choreography is still in the repertory today. Bournon-ville's beloved ballerina Lucille Grahn was ballet mistress for a period in the 1870s and another distinguished ballerina, Lynn Seymour, is director of the present company, which now numbers more than sixty

dancers.

Judging by their names the dancers originate from all over Europe and still farther afield, yet one of the most impressive things about the corps de ballet is their discipline and the homogenity of their style. All the more impressive when I learnt that, at the performance of Swan Lake I saw recently, some 20 dancers were "off" suffering from illness or injury. Had one more of the walking wounded swans fallen by the wayside, either Seymour herself or the hellet mistress. herself or the ballet mistress Eleonora Shelesnowa would have been obliged to put on swan feathers in the corps de ballet.

The production was mounted



Christina Saru: brilliant technique

some years ago by John Cranko and strays markedly from the traditional Petipa/Ivanov choreography, not always with the happiest results. Act I in particular seems very perverse, with the Prince arriving disguised as a female fortune teller at what looks like a rather run-down pub. No wonder his mother is so annoyed when she finally tracks him down at this out-ofthe way spot accompanied by a vast retinue, carrying four large portraits of prospective brides. quality.

Peter Breuer, the company's leading male dancer, was the Prince. Familiar to London audiences from his appearances with Festival Ballet, he was dancing evenly more strongly on his home ground than on his last appearances in London. But I find a certain lack of openness and clarity in his dancing and his partnering was not very responsive.

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Why Herr Sommer's daft deal is no substitute for unity

If the Western alliance is not to become as empty a myth as the Commonwealth, which only The whole of the Western alliance exists as a unified group in the biennial photograph of its leaders being smiled at by the Queen, something fairly radical will have to happen fairly soon. At present, it shows every sign of incipient disintegration, a state of affairs which can only be good for our enemies. To say that something ought

ro he done is, of course, easier than to suggest the details of a course of action, which is itself easier than to embark upon it. But at present wetage of having before us a proposal which, although so far presented only in outline, certainly fulfils the conditions of my definition: it would be fairly radical, and if it were undertaken in unity it would certainly demonstrate to our enemies that they would be unwise to assume that they are faced with a tiger made, if not with cardboard, aluminium foil and string. The proposal is that the countries of Nato and the FEC should take real, rapid and if possible unanimous action in favourable response to President Carter's demand for sanctions against Iran and more resolute action over the Soviet annexation of Arghanicdirection "

In saving this, I am aware that I am presenting a view sharply contrary to that expressed editorially in The Times on Saturday. So be it ; in recent years there have been few matters, and fewer still of great public importance, in which my views have been widely divergent from those of the paper, and it will do neither The Times nor me any harm, now that one such matter has arisen, for us to agree to differ, and for me to say plainly wherein our views part

is as much a deterrent as is the nuclear weapon; but a deterrent will only deter if it is credible

take issue tand of course The back on again with Gripfix, you Times is not alone in holding will be as good as new. But it is not so with heads and people. it) runs, in its essence, like this: President Carter's policy and it is not so with Afghanistans and Russians. The Soviet over Iran is wrong, dangerous and almost certain to fail; we Union took military action against Afghanistan because are therefore under no obligaher leaders wanted, for a numtion to support it, and we should not do so; we should instead produce alternative policies, on which a good start has been made with the proher of reasons which can be deduced but which need not detain us here, to ensure that Afghanistan would pursue puliposal by the EEC for a neutral cies tavourable to her interests. and not other policies. The only terms on which she would withdraw now except under Afghanistan; and that a recent article by the Editor of Die Zeit (Herr Theo Sommer), in pressure are terms which would which he put forward a set of proposals which combined "the neutrality of Afghanistan with provide the substance of her original demand, no matter soviet support for the bostages what happened to the shadow. In other words, Alghanistan in Iran Western concessions on cannot be neutralized with Soviet agreement; it can only and_new attempts_to_negotiate on European missiles" made a points in the right Possibly that is what the Nine had in mind; I wouldn't put it past one or two of them. But it is not what I think anybody who

Now my view of the proposal by the Nine for a neutral Afghanistan, its integrity guaranteed by the three super-powers and the two countries the Indian sub-continent. struck me when it was made. and strikes me still, as one of the daftest ideas ever to receive the support of the British Foreign Office, which is saying a very great deal indeed. It suffers from an advanced form of a disease I have identified as arcadiatrophy, which is the ompany. belief that if somehody cuts. The argument with which I your head off and you stick it

... the Kremlin should side squarely with the White House in the Tehran hostage crisis. In return, the Carter Administration should re-nounce economic sanctions against Russia and forgo an expansion of the Est of hightechnology items that Western Europe will not sell to Warsaw Pact nations. If it is not too late, the Olympics boycott should be recon-The language is refreshingly unobscure: Herr Sommer (who,

incidentally, is normally a most sagarious and for seeing commentator, though you will have to take my word for it, as you certainly wouldn't be able to deduce it from that passages really does propose that, in return for a meaningless Saviet promise of sympathy for the American hostages (meaningless because the Ayatollah Khomeini would be no more inclined to listen to reason from the Soviet Union than from the United States), the Americans should abandon every action that suggests they are determined to resist aggression, even to the extent of giving back the huge propaganda advantage that the Soviet Union would have got from staging the Olympics with the whole of the rest of the world participating and watching. Why, a more cynical man

nice to see appeasement pro-

posed by a German for a Western action on Iran is But to say that it would be

a ruinous and possibly faral error to legitimize in any way Soviet subjugation Afghanistan is not necessarily to say that the Americans are right over Iran, let alone that the rest of the alliance America leads should do as President Carter suggests. It is clear why I think Herr Scmmer is wrong; why do I think The Times is

Because of all the needs of the alliance—sound policies, readiness, a commitment to action in defence of any or aid of its members, patience, posi-tive and effective secret diplomacy-one is not only crucial, hut seems to me to be more together. It is that the ulliance shall be, and shall be seen to he, united. Those italics are vital; even if we are not agreed, we must act as if we are, bestrength of the alliance, which rests upon a general knowledge ot our general readiness to detend any part of the line the ailiance holds, will vanish at once. Benjamin Franklin was right: we must all hang together, or, most assuredly, we

shall all bang separately.

The whole of the Western alliance is as much a deterrent a deterrent will only deter if it is credible, and the credihility of a deterrent, as opposed to its justification, does not depend on the wisdom or the virtue of those wielding it. The only thing we need to convince the Russians of is our willingthem if they advance beyoud the limits they have been set. Those limits are not conto Checkpoint Charlie, and to keep the Soviet leaders convinced that they dare not move through the Brandenburg Gate it is necessary to convince them that they should not have moved across the

And that is why unanimous

necessary. I agree that sauctions against Iran are in themselves unlikely to bring significantly nearer the end of the hostages' ordeal, though I do not believe the possibility can-be entirely ruled out (We must bear in mind, apart from anything else, the fact that not everybody in Iran is as crazy as the Ayatollah and the students", and that sooner or later some of the same ones may nerve themselves to do something about the mad.) And

on the other hand. I do not believe that resolute and united action by the Western countries will make the Ayatollah, let alone his more moderate opponents, fall into the arms of the Russians. (It has been said that any increase in tension and instability brought about by collective Western action against Iran, even if it did not make Iranian opinion pro-Soviet, would increase the likelihood of an actual Soviet incursion. But such collective action would be designed to serve warning on the Soviet leaders that the West is sufficiently determined and united to make any such thoughts on their parts most inadvisable.)

For more than thirty years of uneasy and bloodstained peace, the United States has led the Western alliance, and largely financed it into the bargain. Neither The Times nor I (and still less Herr Sommer) would be in a position to express any opinion at all if it had not been for the unwavering determination of the American people and their successive Presidents that the conditions in which me can do so must be main-tained at any cost to them. I do not, as it happens, advocate support for the United States out of gratitude, though I could make a good case for doing so. I believe we should support the United States, as President Carter has asked that we should, because in doing so we support ourselves, our free-dom and our peace.

employees from the newer member-states in the EEC).

All of this militates greatly

against the efficiency of the

Commission, and the evidence suggests that it is getting worse

as the institution becomes more

complex and the élan which brought it into being is slowly

eroded. The Commission, origin-

its own bureaucracy.

state, but to Europe.

to see that the will exists to

put it right. National govern-ments prefer a pliable Com-

mission to a strong one, and certainly show little readiness

to abandon the principle of

national allocation of senior

posts-which is in many ways

commissioners have limited

terms of office, and owe their

appointment and reappointment to the national governments. The house unions have

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present system.

The Government's first Defence White Paper tells us nothing at all about the future of the deterrent. Yet were the decision taken to replace Polaris with Trident (left) at the cost of five billion pounds

the financial consequences for British defence policy would be profound

Defence decisions looming in the darkness

to nothing about defence but we are upposed to care a good deal abut it. How easy will the Government find it to cur defence spending when the time corps, as it most assured

On delace, if on no other matter, inorance is bliss. The matter, ignorance is biss. The run-of rhemill Tory MP knows little of the subject, partly from choice (for many it is enough t wish to be defended), partly from the grudging reluctance with which the Ministry of Vefence imparts information of any value. Mr Francis tym who talks on Francis vm who talks on occasion about the future of the determent takes care to say nothing. We refuses to speculate either in the House on upstairs outhe choices open to him. Those of us who do take an interest rely for our inforot upon official upon British academics ad foreign journalists. The Government's first Defence white Paper tells us

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Is isnot time we asked how much longer can defence spendig remain exempt from publicexpenditure cuts? It is incompvertible that, in defene terms, Britain is living far sove its station. We spend a higher proportion of tational wealth upon defene than do either France or Gemany, although in money terms he amount is less, given Britains much smaller GNP. Can w go on pleading poverty over air contribution to the EEC's budget while carrying phonortionately heavier

no growh? Mrs hatcher must resolve the dilepma, that is the choice between retrenchmen and rearmamnt. Events vill not belp hen On one hand the Soviet great is likely to remain arbiguous enugh to discourage any major

erest more loudly than it does today for "meaningful" cuts in defence. Mrs Thatcher cannot wear both hats indefinitely.

The disputes within the Conservative Covernment and party over economic, and to a lesser extent social policies are real enough. The wors fearful lest social cohesion be lost in clude both Lord Carrington and Mr Prot The Roreign Secretary would soften our approach to Europe, while the Secretary of State for Defence has fought the Treasury, largely at second hand, in defence of the parry's committaen in increase defence spending by 3 per cent a year to real rerms, and lost Meanwhile the "hawks" talk publicly about good housekeeping and call for party loyalty.

> Despite the rhetoric the Conservative Government is doing no more in defence than Labour might

> > have done

Will the "wets" now stand up in support of our pledged contribution to Nato while the Treasury openio clamours for its reduction?

Despite the rhetoric, and the invasion of Afghanistan, the Conservative Government is loing no more in defence than Labour might have done Cuts in defence spending have merely been postponed were we to purchase Trident it could only be done at the ex-pense of losing a major British defence commitment, the aban-donment of which would seriously weaken the Nato alliance. We can search the White Paper in vain for such a forecast. The pictures might be prettier but the text remains as unsatisfactory as ever. We are told nothing about what should be the successor-system to Polaris, and no attempt whatever is made to spell out the financial political and military defence burden than do our ever is made to spell out the two pracipal European allies? financial political and military And continue to do so over a consequences of buying Trident decade in which all the econo: at a time of economic decline mic forecasts suggest little or and growing financial string on a contract.

Julian Critchley

gency. We are still in the dark

The author is the Conservative thely to MP for Aldershot, and a vice shugh to chairman of the party's defence from to committee.

Michael Shanks pinpoints yet another problem for the Eurocrats in Brussels

Bad habits that are killing the commission

With the Common Agricultural Policy rocketing out of control. prepare, which may deter-ne whether or not Britain stave in the Community, one would have thought the European Commission's president had enough on his plate just now. Yet in the past week Mr Roy Jenkins has had to take out to deal with a demand from the Commission's staff unions that one of his four British director-generals. Sir Roy Denman, be disciplined for revealing some home truths about institution's personnel

Rightly, Mr Jenkins gave short shrift to the unions de-mand. The Commission has not a few years ago, occupying the same rank as Sir Roy Denman now does in the Commission. 1 ventured a few much more tentative comments on some of the defects in the administration, President Ortoli and his colleagues on the Commission did not then exactly leap to my de-

My comments then were mildness itself compared to those now ascribed to Sir Roy. But it a well-known fact that, comnared to journalists, career diplomats are accustomed to exably carefree way. And, allowing for professional hyperbole, what Sir Roy says is essentially

The fact is that the Commission's personnel policy is a disgrace, which has done more than anything else to discredit its value as an institution. Like so many aspects of the Eurnpean scene, the fault lies partly with national governments, with national governments, partly with good intentions per-verted by bureaucracy. The three crucial factors are

nationalism, industrial democracy and job security. Of these, the first is usually regarded as

and the two others as desirable objectives. Between them, they have produced a management national administration would tolerate.

Sir Roy, in his memorandum which has got him into such focuses on one hot water. element in the situation—the virtual impossibility of dismissing incompetent staff, coupled with the fact that there is little voluntary outward movement because of the very high salaries paid to Commission personnel. especially: in the echelons.

However, there are other aspects of the scene which are equally bad. One is the fact that, above a certain level, appointments and promotions are made not on merit, but on nationality. Policy making posts have to be allocated between member-states in proportion to their population, and certain posts by convention are reserved for particular nationalities.

The result is that, beyond a certain level, a Commission employee sees that his prospects for further advancement n the organization may be completely blocked because he is of the wrong nationality. This is the more serious because there is little tradition within the Commission of movement between departments as part of a planned pattern of career development.

Traditionally staff have been brought into the Commission to particular posts and their advancement has been within a particular directorate-general. It is fair to say that the present commissioner for personnel. Mr Christopher Tugendhat, is trying hard to introduce more flexibility into the system but it is not proving an easy task. The Commission, therefore, tends to be an administration



values the peace of the world

should have in mind. If the

Soviet leaders are to receive an

implicit assurance that they are

free to annex any country that takes their fancy, on the under-

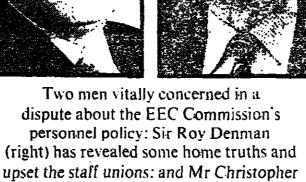
standing that after a suitable interval they will end up with

the country half-annexed, then

we might as well all start learn-

ing the Russian for "Yes, sir. No, sir, three bags full". As for Herr Sommer's extension of the

Nine's proposals-well, here is



Tugendhat is trying to reform the

of specialists, and people in itand obsessive about their jobs. The system, with its powerful clique of director-generals and its lack of inter-departmental links, encourages them to be so. For such people-especially if, like most Eurocrats, they are intelligent, hardworking and idealistic (at least initially)—it can and does generate enormous

frictions and frustrations. Some people, faced with this situation. soldier on indomit-ably. Some switch off, and stop working. Others become

intensely unhappy, and take to intrigue or drink. Few take the obvious course, and resign. The reason is that they are seduced by the Commission's generous salaries and pensions, and too often feel after some years in Brusiels that they have lost touch with their own countries.

staffing system ... no easy task

Thus the combination of national allocations of posts, generous salaries and job security, produces a high degree of job dissatisfaction and demotivation. But we now have to introduce the third element-the house unions with their

ity, promotion within grades is negotiated between management and unions. Every year the Council of Ministers establishes, arbitrarily, the number of promotions which can take place. The Commission then decides with

closed sliop. While promotion from one grade to another depends on vacancies becoming

available for the right national-

the unions who will fill the places allocated. Unfortunately the unions have adopted a policy of rewarding age and seniority rather than merit. One can see the reasons for this, but it puts one more hurdle in front of the young high flyer. It would be wrong to think that the Commission is blind to the waste of talent and loss of efficiency which this policy creates. It uses elaborate sys tems of personnel evaluation which are meant to record Unfortunately, these evaluations themselves have become part of the distorting mechanism. In the interests of open management, the superior has to discuss his evaluation with each employee.

Since the boss knows that he will have to go on working with the employee and has little or no chance of removing him except under very special circumstances, there is a tendency to write over-flattering assess--which then form the basis of negotiations with the unions on promotions.

In fact, in most years between 90 and 95 per cent of Commission staff are described by their superiors as being "superior to the normal". This makes it difficult for the Commission directors to press the case with the unions that promotion should be on merit, rather than on more readily-assessable criteria such as age and seniority in the job (criteria which, inci-dentally, discriminate against

Yet unless something is done the Commission will continue to lose credibility. Perhaps the European Parliament, which needs a strong Commission as an ally against the selfishness of national governments, will take up the issue. A weapon lies ready to hand in Spierenburg report, which has made some useful recommendations for reform. Parliament should take these up-

LONDON DIARY

Stopping the rot at Liverpool

With a secrecy, stealth and selfeffacing modesty uncharacteristic of either politicians or Liverpudlians, a new political party has been born in Liverpool. The founding fathers of the Scouse National Party prefer to lurk in the shadows at this stage because they are afraid of being taken as a joke, hut their purpose is perfectly

The party had its inaugural meeting last month, and has so far attracted a membership of just over 20. Its declared aim is to prevent the economic and cultural life of its home city. plready in a dangerous state of from rotting away so completely that Liverpool becomes just another depressed

Chris McHale, a local schoolteacher who has been largely responsible for the party's foun-dation, rold me that the SNP (not to be confused with another devolutionist movement north of Carlisle) had been and exemplified a word than born out of frustration. "A lot living language has moved on

of people here feel that Liverpool has been left at the bottom the pile by the Government. McHale and his fellow-mem-

bers of the Scouse Shadow Cabinet had hoped to put up candidates at next month's local elections, when the whole of Liverpool City Council is up for re-election; but they felt they were not sufficiently prepared. Next time, they plan to

We want to act as a pressure group to get more government funds directed our way. But just as importantly we exist to try and preserve the culture of Liverpool. Once the people move out, even just down the road to Kirby, that culture becomes diluted.

The party is planning its first annual general meeting on May 12, when any references to jam butty mines, Knotty Ash or limny Tarbuck will be ruled out of order. Jobs are what they want, not jokes.

Comprehensive

Making a dictionary is like painting the Forth Bridge, No sooner have you nicely defined and exemplified a word than and is making your definition

René Ledésert and his Scotwife Margaret have laboured for 34 years to prepare their new edition of Harrap's New Standard French and English Dictionary, the biggest bilingual dictionary in the world, and yesterday the two majestic English-French volumes, A.K and L.Z, were published.

Measuring the size of dictionaries is a difficult and contentious husiness. By the strictest standards the pair of Eng-Fr vols has 100,000 headwords. you count compounds and idioms, as some lax lexicographers do, le couple has about 350,000 headwords.

Harrap, which has become an eponym in French for a dicnonary, is a wonderfully comwork, particularly hot on scientific and technical words. For example, under "Punk", you have to wade through lots of stuff about bois pourri and amadou before you get to the everyday homme sur le Clamart autobus meanings like "he's talking a load of punk", it débite des sottises.

Harrap eventually gets round

to le punk rock, and the American meaning of tapette. But it shuns the meaning other dictionaries put first: con. with three stars meaning "Danger! words are either swear words, or highly indecent or offensive expressions, which should be avoided by the nonnative speaker".

Moi-même I never knew it meant that. On vive et apprend.

Change of image? Readers of the Daily Mirror have recently been missing their regular daily nude pin-up 5 or 7), the piece of double-barrelled heavy artillery which the paper wheeled up to fight its circulation battle with page 3 of The Sun. The dropping of a daily mammary salvo follows a decision by the editor, Mike Mulloy, "to see whether there was something more interesting to go in the paper"

Molloy, who used to contrihute a pocket cartoon featuring a naked girl to the paper, said: "A rumour has been circulat-ing that this is part of a policy to go upmarket, but no decision has been taken. Newspapers change imperceptibly, and we

as he told me yesterday.

just decided to drop the nude for a while. She can always reappear if the demand is there." So far the only response has been from a woman reader applauding the decision. Yesterday, page three of the paper featured a story of Mr Cod and Miss Trout finding a. nice plaice for their honey-

moon, while page seven had pin-ups of-the Queen Mother. Ghost of reform

There is a dangerous whiff of Reform Club in Pall Mall; the chairman, Sir Alan Neale, has once again raised the deeply contentious issue of admitting women to full membership. Members have been asked in furnish their opinions, and the subject is likely to be aired at the annual general meeting in May. Decisions of this magnitude

are never rushed in clubland. The Reform last proposed to open its front doors to non-males in 1972, when the idea was so heavily sat upon that the life was knocked right out of it. But Sir Alan thinks it might be more acceptable now, what with many Oxford and



Cambridge colleges opening their doors to all sexes. If the proposal succeeds, the Reform will become the first of the old-established clubs of its kind

It was, of course the Reform to which Phines Fogg returned, lady friend in tow, to announce his circle of the world in 80 days, moment enshrined in the file version of the story by the veteran actor Finlay Curris classic pronouncement: Caesar's ghost, a wenan in the

Survival club

Desmond Sampso, a parish councillor from Badfield, near Sheffield wants is local community to start inuclear war survival club. Heplans to hold a public meeting in his village, at which he will provide experts to provide instriction in how to remain alive in the postdoomsday world

41-year-old Samoson. banker and father of five, told me yesterday: I am not an alarmist or a trank. I don't know if ther will be a nuclear war, bit I do know

to accord women equal status. I haven't a clue how to prote But the word from the myself and my family if their smokeroom is that chermism is one it occurred to me this will once again win the day, even although the clip treasurer could well do with those extra women's subscrittons. myself and my family if there

One of the things Sampsor would liketo know is what sur vivors would do faced with at fit food or water, an no gas electricity or telephone. Cele brate-in their shelters at having no more quarterly bills in the megaton range, I should think

with Mr Michael Reseltine in listing their fish market a being of architectural or his toric interest, and thus prevent ing its swift demolition wu replacement by new and man suitable premises. But then might he an easy way out for the traders the London Fish Merchants' Association claim that the foundations are crack-ing, and that if the old call store under the market wer switched off, the than world lead to the collapse of the 105 year-old building.

Alan Hamilton



From Mr Brian Thomas

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Sir, Those of us who welcomed

The Cold War as History when it
appeared in 1967 will have been
disappointed with Professor Louis
Halle's latest reflections (April 10).
In judging whether President
Carter deserves support over

Afglanistan the record of Russian expansion in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries is hardly of

much relevance, if only because American, British and French

empires were being created at pre-

cisely the same time. The Soviet record since 1941 is clearly in a different category, but even here

the position is much more complex than Professor Halle would now

have us believe. By the time George Kennan wrote

1946, which, incidentally, unlike Professor Halle, he now regards with "horrified amusement", all Russis had done amusement all

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of Stalin's reaction to the western initiative described above.

It follows that the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan should perhaps be separately considered, coming as it did, as Professor Halle admits, after

deserved support. It hardly does so

Yours faithfully,

Hunters End.

Station Road,

BRIAN THOMAS,

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The response to Soviet expansion

Sir. almost 12 months ago Mrs. Thatcher's Government took office with the clearest possible mandate to end the imbalance of industrial wer in favour of the trade union

leadership.

The public demand during this period that union power must be responsibly exercised has been matched by a new realism on the shop floor.

It cannot be predicted how long this mond will hold, but it would be assonishing if the Government's legislative programme failed to take advantage of it in the fullest measure. This is why business leaders look to the present Employ-ment Bill for significant progress: on secret ballots; on review ballots for the closed shop; and to draw back the iron curtain of financial vulnerability behind which trade unions shelter from the economic irresponsible consequences of action.

Businessmen asked to select one of these as of highest priority would undoubtedly choose secret ballots. Industrial relations must be con-

If the amendment submitted by Mr John Browne, MP, is, as is suggested today, imperfectly drafted, this rherefore is capable of speedy remedy. If practical details remain to be settled, these must not be allowed to restrict progress. Mr Prior should now make absolutely clear the Government's commitment to the principle of improved com-munication through secret ballots. Yours truly. WALTER GOLDSMITH,

Institute of Directors, 116 Pall Mall, SW1. April 21.

Late-night strikes

From Mr Roland Jack Sir, London Transport staff under standably wish to protest against the increase in violence on the Underground system. Yet what action could be more conducive to aggression than the stranding of passengers by late-night strikes?
Yours faithfully,

ROLAND JACK, 21 Strand-on-the-Green. Chiswick, W4.

April 14.

Teachers' pay

From Mr A. D. Wood Sir, One could almost hear the tharp intake of breath from the when the Clegg report's figures for teachers' pay were announced. The increase, stated in raw figures of percentages, looks very generous and some teachers have hardly endeared themselves to the public by withdrawing their goodwill or demonstrating noisily

before the Secretary of State. However, neither your news items nor your leader yesterday (April 15) adequately stressed that, even with the rise, a teacher's starting pay is still quite shockingly low. If the Clegg recommendations are implemented, a graduate, trained over four years and amongst the top 15 per cent of the population in academic terms, will still receive less than £65 a week take-home pay. There are no "fringe benefits" in teaching, no assisted mortgage, no car allowance, no assistance with expenses in most authorities, no luncheon vouchers; the pay packet is all. Granted there are long holi-

days but Clegg rightly points out that these are offset by a longer working week in term time. As a headmaster, I am aware that good teachers are leaving the pro-fession, even in the South-west where conditions are good, for no other reason than that their pay is insufficient and the career pros-pects are too long-term and indefinite to be attractive. Many of those leaving are from physics, mathe-matics and crafts since the alterna-

tive pay structure in industry are vastly more attractive. If this Government intends to improve the standard of education in this country and especially in the technical field, then it must offer teachers a better pay structure. A teacher must be paid a salary which responsibility. How many industrial workers will be satisfied with a take-home pay packet of £65 a week

and Bath from 3! days to a mere

17; hours. The good doctor deplored

such unnatural speed and splemnly

Yours frithfully, A. D. WOOD, Headmaster Liskeard School,

n 1980?

Luxstowe, Liskeard, Cornwall.

More haste From Mr Colin Wintle

Sir, When Bernard Levin fulfils his promise to make his next journey from Agra to De'hi as a bullock-carr passenger (April 17) he will surely delight the ghost of a local From Mr H. C. Gatiss

> It was partly in protest at such an assumption that, as Secretary to Tripity College Union, I led a cam-paign which led to our own col-lege's disaffiliation: we were concerned that NUS does not confine its attention to specifically student issues; though the political budget may be small, it is still these Eeneral political cempaigns (and the tactics employed) which have

I was therefore pleased to read of NUS's commitment to a concentration on student issues: but actions speak louder than words, and Mr Aaronovitch will need to do more than reprove conference "delegates" for their appalling behaviour to win back this college. Widespread moderation is necessary -and that includes lobbying the Government (this year's claim for a grant increase of over 30 per cent was both unrealistic and selfish): if Mrs Thetcher is deaf to William Sirs, she is likely to be less than sympathetic to Mr Aarono-vitch unless he is a great deal more

a relatively long period of stability.

As I pointed out in your columns on January 12, it may have been motivated by the coincidence of unrest in the Moslem world, the are denied access to medical care as well as a range of physical and social amenities and jobs. To reverse unrest in the Mosiem world, the redeployment of missiles in West Europe, and the continuing hostility of China, But part of the answer surely lies inside Afghanistan itself, general deprivation and poverty is bound to be expensive but to selecrively blunt the worst suffering by positive discrimination in medical care is much more possible. where the excesses of the Amin regime threatened a Soviet hold The Central Birmingham Com-munity Health Council study that begun in 1953 and consolidated in April, 1978. At that time an American initiative might well have

you report makes clear the three ways in which current medical practice in Birmingham deprives inner-city patients. First of all the patients are not admitted to the modern teaching unit; second the teaching unit creams off resources and this further deprives the inner city; and finally the next generation of doctors are not trained to even know that the problems of the inner city exist.

ing whether separate consumer representation in the form of Com-munity Health Councils should be retained in the Health Service. It must be abundantly clear that issues such as the one described in your report would never see the light of day were it not for independent consumer representations. The report concerned makes use of statistics from a variety of sources and required many months to

complete.
We could hope that the occasional enlightened community physician might draw attention to such problems but there is no mechanism by which the members of health authorities, now or in the future. could present a suitably argued case to their authority even if they sus-

its resources at real problems it must have an independent consumer input. It would be foolish to expect the customers to run the business but no enterprise is successful if it tas no way of knowing what its customers want. That is the essence of the case for Community Health Councils and the reason why those who care about the future of the Health Service in this country should write to the Department of Health or the Minister and say that Community Health Councils should be retained and given a stronger

R. K. GRIFFITHS, The University of Birmingham, Department of Social Medicine. Health Services Research Centre. The Medical School,

Loving with the mind

Sir, In his articles on the ashram of Bhagwan Shree Rajneesh at Poona (April 8, 9 and 10), Bernard of the mind in favour of love. He

This is in flat contradiction to the Judeo-Christian tradition. Jews and Christians are commanded to love

Moreover, the test of love is not just a sense of peace and wellbeing, however wonderful and attractive, but character and service to those in need. I trust your readers have sufficient discernment to prefer the love of Mother Teresa, of Calcutta, to that of Rajneesh, especially in the light of these words of his from a recent article in Yoga Today: Remember one thing: work as diligently as possible at becoming more coascious. Forget about

Yours sincerely, BARRY MORRISON, Chaplain.

The Polytechnic of Central London, 104/108 Bolsover Street, W1. April 16.

From Mrs M. B. Taylor

judgments on the subject of the violence of youth, which he ascribes to the strains of urban existence.

The picturesque countryside of north Oxfordshire is dotted with numerous attractive and prosperous villages and hamlets. As in all rural areas today there is an almost total lack of public transport outside working hours, but most villages have a shop, a pub or two, a village hall, playing fields and a sports and social club, and the standard of housing, public and private, is good: yet, litter, vandalism, theft and even

Perhaps Mr Green could make some comment Pelpful to the troubled inhabitants of these com-Yours faithfully,

Oxford. April 17.

Transport of delight

From Mr Alexander Schouvaloff Sir. Recently I travelled on the Continent by train: on the "Ambrosiano" from Milan to Florence, on the "Aurora" from Syracuse to Rome, on the "Lutetia" from Milan

Instead of our having to travel here on anonymous Inter-City trains could not British Rail entice us on to the "Brunel" to Eristol, the "Beatles" to Liverpool, the "Barbirolli" to Manchester, and

59 Landrurst Grove, SE15.

HINA'S PRAGMATIC LEADER

ould have seemed incredible rears ago-as our Hongkong spondent reported in yesterpaper-that the Chinese nunist Party is preparing to party members with the of expelling those who still to left-wing views. Amona eight millions this can y mean a fringe element of rating Trotskyists; on the ary, it means all those fol-'s of the Maoism affirmed e late leader as his opinions shape in the great leap forand more particularly in ultural revolution, not to on the continuing years of nal struggle until his death

reason for the sitting be the conclusion that a of this size is unmanage-But it is known that a half it more of the present ership represents the inuring and after the cultural cition, so that at its middle wer levels the number who dvancement thanks to their and after, rather than of the reports in the Chinese far too few of them-for f yet another swing of the al pendulum or from con--have even now not given

> slow process of ideologifting is one part of China's aoist transition. There are parts that are more apparthe outside observer and measureable. One is the of policy away from the style of mass involvement litics in command", class le, endless campaigns in t of an unattainable ideopurity-and in its place centration on economic ss without which all a hopes, persisting for half my and more, will be un-

objectives, is to promote men hest equipped to advance them. Mr Deng Niaoping emerged as the commanding figure in all these changes at the third plenum of the party's central committee in December, 1978. Since then the direction of policy has increasingly been his and even more obviously all the new appointments have shown his hand. Not least significant as signs for the future were the appointments last week of two new vice-premiers: Mr Zhao Ziyang and Mr Wan Li, both of them known to be close to Mr

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That so much has been Mr Deng's doing, and that some of his asides suggest that he is preparing to take a back seat once he is assured that the direction of the country's affairs is in hands that will pursue the policies he has set for China's

his outlook has undoubtedly been formed by a lifetime in the party, his main drive is as a man of successful action; above all, a man who has no taste for the woolly jargon that set going the crass hatreds of the cultural revolution. This surely makes him the right man to determine China's path in the coming decade. Even a limited knowd. The other part, directly ledge of their history shows the

Chinese people to be essentially pacific, relishing harmony and cooperation rather than struggle. possessed of a strong preference for order against disorder. As a man who has resolutely turned his back on revolutionary tur-moil, Mr Deng would certainly win their mass support. Yet with so vast a bureaucracy, those who gained advancement by their enthusiasms in the cultural revolution, while only a tiny part of politically conformist and otherwise silent population, can yet be several millions. Such pockets of resentment,

and other genuine opponents who find cause to complain of a system that they would like to reject outright, must not be forgotten in seeing the gradual completion of a China reshaped by Mr Deng. After his second rehabilitation in 1977 it was only too easy to posit a confrontation, if not a "power struggle" between Mr Deng and Mr Hua

such as Mr Zhao Ziyang. Mr Zhao was already a spokesman for a mixed economy even before his tour of western Europe last summer. If his present appointment makes him Mr Deng's choice as future Prime Minister. leaving the party leadership to Mr Hua, then indeed the new China will bear Mr Deng's stamp. It should last for some

UST IF IMPERFECT AMENDMENT

anxiety to leave a durable available to compensate emive monument behind r James Prior pitched his ment Bill last year at a quite inadequate to cope ie handicaps that British labours under because legal privileges enjoyed e unions. The Bill was not of bringing real improveo the obsolete production s, archaic demarcations aggerated manning levels iold back many sectors of dustry. Though strengby the new clause on ry action, it remains a e preoccupied with marsues connected with the t of disputes, and fails to with the central probthe closed shop and the gal immunities of strikers.

actics do not seem to bave bly softened the attacks Bill made by union s that the opportunity is nissed are causing a growod of impatience among onservative backbenchers. ood is finding expression. Bill returns to the floor House, in a number of nents designed to stiffen and there, though the ns raised by the central are too complex to be d satisfactorily in this be promise of a Green and a further Bill has done o mollify the rebels. Last

hey forced a division over

osal to make union funds

ployers adversely affected by secondary picketing. Today they mean to press a series of amendments which would make it mandatory for a union to hold a ballot on industrial action, if a significant minority of members asked for one. Once a ballot had been asked for, and until its results proved that the action had majority support, the safeguards for strikers under section the Trade Union and Labour Relations Act 1974 would not apply.

The Bill as it stands makes provision for such ballots to be subsidised from public funds, but leaves it to the leadership of the unions concerned to decide whether to hold them, and when. Even this proposal has aroused loud objections in the labour movement, from those who fear. or profess to, that their independence would be compromised by the receipt of public money. Others see the benefits of the proposal, but make less noise. In unions whose leaders do oppose ballots, the Bill would do nothing to ensure that ordinary members gain the right to express their opinion democratically about industrial action that they may be compelled by union

disciplines to undertake. In principle it is clear that union members should be consulted about the merits of any proposed strike in which they would be involved, and consulted

in such a way that the possibility of intimidation is eliminated. Several recent instances have shown how far out of touch with their followers a union's leaders can be. The right is a difficult one to guarantee effectively in statute and the attempt carries the danger of turning opinion among trade unionists against balloting. It is hard to frame provisions which will work effectively in complex situations where more than one union may be involved, and where the action planned may not even be official.

time without disturbance.

There is some doubt whether any of the amendments so far proposed fully measure up to these complexities. But the case is strong for safeguarding trade unionists' right to be consulted, above all where the leaders of their unions would deny them. The proposals would also have the effect, by temporarily suspending the immunities, of introducing a kind of cooling-off period, wherever a substantial minority of those ordered to strike had reservations. There is still time for Mr Prior to consult the interest groups involved and make a more serious attempt to draft a satisfactory clause for introduction in the Lords. Unless they receive adequate assurances, which the Prime Minister did not give yesterday, Conservative members would be justified in supporting the amendment, which could itself be improved at a later stage.

E TERRORISM OF THE STATE

aportant point about the on Argentina by the Interan Commission on Human is not so much its conappalling though they are. been known for some time utally the military governset about its campaign terrorism, so that the of killings, torture, ons and "disappearances" he past few years serves as confirmation of earlier The new element is the at the account is given by acted inter-American instian arm of the Organiza-American States, and that ased on an extraordinarily an inquiry, conducted in glare of publicity in ina. When the commission Argentina last September ry out its investigations it ed more than 12,000 comof disappearances at the of the authorities, people d up in the streets to give ce, and apart from meetwith the authorities its ers were able to go into isons and talk to opponents

al salute

Mrs A. L. Martin

and gentleman.

was sorry to see that Hugh

omery-Massingberd in his

(April 17) of a new book the late Prince Henry, Duke

ducester, chose to give pith own writing by playing down thievements of a very fine

ice Henry served with his

The commission was also attacked by government supporters, who accused it of ignoring the reasons for the antiterrorist campaign, which were the power and ruthlessness of the terrorist movements. Even if there had been violations of human rights, it was argued, they were justified by the need to suppress terrorism. In its public reply to the commission's report, the government has taken a similar line, accusing it of being one-sided. But the commission has rightly taken the view that there is a fundamental difference between violence by private groups and officially condoned violence by government agents; and that its business is to look into official misdeeds. It finds that though there was a need to combat terrorism, the military government's response after it took over in 1976 led to numerous and serious" violarions of human rights. It is impossible to know how many people may have disappeared after being abducted, it com-ments, since it could be anything

between 5,500 and 20,000. Argentina will now have to face criticism from other mem-

during the summer of 1935. I remember walking with my father, then a Brigadier and the holder of

on horseback, came towards us. My

father doffed his hat nearly to the

organization's general assembly meets later this year. More important, however, is how the government responds in its internal policies. As the report notes, there has been a considerable reduction in the number of rights violations since last sion recommends, of investigating

bers of the OAS when the

"But that", my father replied, "was the Duke of Gloucester."
Later when I heard the Prince discussed at Balls, or in afterdinner conversation, it was only with respect and admiration, and we were the people who knew best. Yours truly,

the DSO and MC from the First World War, who was in civilian dress, when a very handsome young officer in uniform, mounted ANNE L. MARTIN, father doned his dat hearly to the ground with the salutation, "Good morning, Sir". "Since when", I asked, slightly annoyed, "have you addressed a mere major as Sir?" 60 Marygate, York. April 18.

October, and there are grounds for hoping that the situation may improve further. By agreeing to admit the commission last year, the government lifted a veil of silence from the human rights issue and made it a legitimate subject of public discussion. But any decision of this sort, apparently taken by the moderate members of the armed forces, is always fiercely challenged within the regime by the hardliners, and in view of the past record of the government as whole it is hard to be confident of the outcome. What can be said for certain is that the Argentine military government has a great deal to answer for, and a large number of people to account to. It is not just a matter of ending the abuses but, as the commis-

physician who wrote to the Bath Argus in the eighteenth-century to and punishing those that have taken place in the past. warn us of the perils of modern high-speed travel. In the 1780s John Palmer had introduced the mail coach, carrying also a few passengers at a higher fare than charged by the existing "slow coaches", and had thereby reduced the time between London

> warned that if the trend continue we should all die of apoplexy. Yours faithfully, COLIN WINTLE. 28 Ascott Avenue,

the position in Eastern Europe offered her by Churchill in his agreement with Stalin of October 9. Bentley. Hampshire. April 15. 1944, and by fames Byrnes in his endorsement of a Soviet "Monroe US hostages in Iran

very strong restrictions on move-Tibet and the Dalai Lama ment have also become less, and the From Mr Chris Mullin political meeting . . usually every

Sir. Conditions in Tibet are not as bad as Sir Algernon Rumbold makes out (The Times, April 11). Last month I had a long conversation with the Dalai Lama in India which I reported in The Guardian on

Sir Algernon speaks of a "famine diet" and says the delegation recently sent to Tibet by the Dalai "found food scarce every where ": he also says that everyone, including grandmothers and little children, "have to work inordinately long hours in the fields and then endure political indoctrination and confession meetings at night ".

The delegation has not yet made its report public and so I do not know what source Sir Algernon has for his allegations. However, the following is a verbatim extract from my conversation with the Dalai Lema on the points raised by Sir Algernon: "Since 1979 the general food condition has improved, the

bad. Situation much improved. . . . As a result of the delegation's visit all these past stories are confirmed and in some cases even worse, I do not want to repeat these things. As mentioned earlier, now is something changing, some new period" This is not to say that the Dalai Lama finds the situation in Tibet today satisfactory. Indeed, he made clear that there will have to be

night, now almost no more. In the early 1960s or early 1970s there are

many stories of starvation. Now not

many changes before he is prepared to return. It is also fair to say, as the Chinese themselves now admit. some of the conditions described by Sir Algernon did exist in Tibet, particularly during the Cultural Revolution. However, I do not feel there is anything to be gained by exaggerating. Yours sincerely.

CHRIS MILLIN 206 Brixton Road, SW9.

Deadlock in Cyprus From Mr Jim Spicer, MP for Dorset, West and MEP for Wessex

(Conservative) Sir, My colleague Tim Eggar (April 18) is, I am afraid, far too optimistic in his assessment of the Cyprus deadlock and its possible solution. In his letter he said there is no reason to suppose that Turkey could not be as accommodating over Cyprus as she has been "in the fundamental political decision to devalue the lira and permit foreign investment at the request of the

He should think again. The Turk-ish intervention in Cyprus came 14 years after the setting up of the Cyprus Republic under a constitu-tion carefully designed to give the Turkish Cypriot minority not only individual but communal rights as well. Only three years later, in 1963, all these protections had disappeared and for 11 years the Turkish Cypriots lived in fear for their lives and their property. The bitter-

and 1974 will not, in my view, be forgotten. Any final settlement will need to take great account of this fact. By all means let us work to break the deadlock which now exists in

the intercommunal talks but, in doing so, let us be realistic enough to accept that no Turkish Government could long survive an agree-ment which did not afford full and lasting protection for the Turkish community. I accept, with Tim Eggar, that the

est must bear its share of the blame for the events of 1974. would ask him and his Friends of Cyprus Committee to also accept that undue pressure on Turkey would not only be counterproduc-tive but might even drive that loyal ally of many years out of Nato. JIM SPICER. Chairman, British-Turkish

simply accommodation. For them

we need to be thinking in terms of transitional housing, which is not just another home or hostel, but combines a degree of independence with minimal supervision. But be-

cause of the staff costs nivolved accommodation of this kind can

only be provided at a reasonable rent if other bodies, whether statu-

tory or voluntary, are prepared to underwrite some of the additional

expenditure. In places this is beginning to happen, but there is still a widespread reluctance to recognize the needs of the young

This problem is not new, but if

any real progress is to be made it requires a national initiative to stimulate the different organizations

into coming together to help reduce

the problem. The opportunities are there, and it would be tracic if they

were lost simply because no one will officially admit that a young person

The Stonham Housing Association

who is homeless is vuinerable.

Parliamentary Group, House of Commons. April 18.

homeless.

Yours sincerely,

CLIFFORD J. OFFER.

(Southampton Branch),

45 Portswood Road, Southampton,

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Trinity College,

Cambridge.

Coming out of care

From the Reverend C. J. Offer Sir, Lord Ranfurly is right to bring to our attention the housing needs of young people leaving care (April 15), but they are not the only group of young people to experience this problem. The pressure on space in the board of the pressure on space in the board of the pressure of of the pr in the home, the breakdown of family relationships and low incomes all play their part in creating a growing number of young people who find themselves homeless in present day society. This in itself is cause for concern, but when it is combined with our growing awareness of a link between homelessness and crime then con-

cern must give way to action. Already the Government has given one lead by announcing that spending on the housing needs of special groups will not be cut. If one accepts Lord Ranfurly's con-tention that many young people fall within this category then there is an excellent opportunity for Housing Associations, such as our own, to direct some of their energies towards providing accommodation for young people, with rents fixed

on a non-profit making basis. The problem comes with those young people who need more than

End of student revels

Sir, Your leader writer of April 16 is correct in noting that several universities have disaffiliated from the National Union of Students because of dissatisfaction with its political outlook, but he still refers to "the student voice", as though the heterogeneous opinions of a million students could be distilled into a cogent and unified viewpoint.

earned the student movement a bad

Hampshire. name. The tangible benefits from our £2,000 subscription were

pragmatic than his prodecessor. Yours faithfully, H. C. CATISS.

Ensuring the best of hospital care of hospital care of hospital care

From the Chairman of the Association of Community Health Councils for England and Wales
Sir, Your report by Arthur Osman (April 15) entitled "Best hospital care for women least in need" highlights an important issue. All too often deprived groups in our society

The Government is currently ask-

perted that the problem existed. If our Health Service is to direct

Yours faithfully.

Birmingham.

From the Reverend Barry Morrison business of Christ

God with their minds as well as with heart, soul and strength.

character. Character is a concern for the stupid and the mediocrc Let your whole concern be con-sciousness."

Violence of youth

Sir, Mr David Green (April 17) calls to task those who make moral

violence occur not as isolated instances, but with alarming regu-

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to Paris. Other romantic names for trains are the "Rheingold" from Amsterdam to Vienna the "Chopin" from Vienna to Moscow, the "Romulus" from Vienna to

others ? Yours faithfully. ALEXANDER SCHOUVALOFF,

Destrine "a year later.
Throughout that time the military initiative lay not with Russia but From Canon J. A. Burley future, necessarily raises the with the West, exemplified by the Sir, Mr Cunningham's letter (April ducted on a basis of consent and Guofeng who had, visibly and American monopoly of the atom bomb, by her string of air bases question that still worries many 17) suggesting that the US should unmistakably, climbed to power thanks to Mr Deng's own evicnot chercion. Only compulsory and have retaliated against the Iranian of the thirty-eight million and secret ballots open to trades union alongside Soviet frontiers of which Henry Wallace complained in his open letter to President Truman of July 23, 1946, by the doctrine of embassy in Washington is ingenious members can provide a satisfactory consensual basis.

The Director General of the many more besides outside the tion. But Mr Deng has avoided but naive. The Iranians would have shot the Americans, but the Ameriparty: is this new regime, with any such clash. its "revisionist" policies going Engineering Employers' Federation suggests (April 21) that there are "considerable dangers" in such legislation. But he surely cannot question the need in principle to open up this avenue of communication. He began by correcting the cans would not have shot the instant and condign" punishment to last? Or might there he yet instant and condien published which characterized the Baruch Plan of June 13, 1946, and by the growth of the preexcessive economic plans which were far beyond China's compre-Iranians! His proposal of an emergency conference called by the UN, however, merits serious and urgent consideration. another swing to the left that would reverse the obvious swing tence. Only then did he turn to contemporary growth of the "pre-ventive war" school of thought in to the right of the past two years, bringing with it another skilful handling of the obstacles that remained, especially the the United States. tion between workers and their It was because of this that the ord "containment" was used, as gruesome era of retribution? Yours faithfully, ull support to the policies Maoist following still with seats representatives. If one looks at the personali-J. A. BURLEY, The Rectory, Little Braxted, in the party political bureau. tly pursued. The Institute of Directors has alties of the four men who have made the new China: Mao Tse-George Kennan himself explained. They have now all been edged out without disgrace or calamity. formulated workable detailed in a purely political sense. It does proposals in this regard which form Witham, not hear the military interpretation tung. Chou En-lai, Liu Shao-chi They have been replaced either the basis of an amendment to the which Professor Halle, and others, and Deng Xiaoping, Mr Deng has Essex. by the more able members of the present Bill in the name of Mr Michael Colvin, MP. have since placed upon it. Military shown himself to be the least rehabilitated old guard or by ideological of the four. Though newcomers to the highest rank



COURT CIRCULAR

WINDSOR CASTLE April 21: Today is the fifty-fourth Anniversary of the Birthday of The

Her Majesty held a Council at 12:40 o'clock this afternoon. There were present: the Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone (Lord Chancellor), the Lord Soames (Lord President), the Right Hon Mark Carlisle, MP (Secretary of Stiffe for Education and Science) State for Education and Science). the Righ Hon Patrick Jenkin, MP (Secretary of State for Social Services) and the Right Hon Sally Oppenheim, MP (Minister of State,

Department of Trade). Mr Neville Leigh was in attendance as Clerk of the Council.
The Lord Soames had an audi-

Council.

The Duke of Edinburgh, as a Trustee, this evening attended a Meeting of the Trustees of The Prince Philip Trust Fund for the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maldenhead at Windsor Guildhall, ills Royal Highness was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Berkshire (Colone) the Hon Couldon Planer) and the Mayor and Madeuhead (Councillor Mrs. J. Fotherby).

Receptions

HM Government
A reception was given by Her
Majesty's Government at 1 Carlton Gardens last night, in honour
of the Norwegian Parliamentary
Defence Committee led by Mr Per
Hysing-Dahl. The guests were
received by the Parliamentary
Under-Secretary of State for
Defence for the RAF, Mr Geoffrey
Pattie. HM Government

Defonce for the RAF, Mr Geoffrey Pattie.
Farriers' Company
Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, was, presented with a copy of The Farrier and His Craft, a history of the Farriers' Company, at an afternoon reception given by Mr Leslie Prince, the author and a senior past master of the company, at Saddlers' Hall yesterday. The Master, Mr R. W. Bulfield, received the guests.

Dinners

Lady Mayoress The Lord Mayor and the Lady Mayoress entertained the follow ang Mr and Mrs James mindae. Birmingham Chamber of Industry and Commerce The Prime Minister was the chief

guest and speaker at the annual dinner of Birmingham Chamber of Industry and Commerce held at the Birmingham Metropole Hotel last night. Mr J. L. Brown, president of the chamber, presided and other speakers were the Lord Mayor of Birmingham, the President of the Association of British Chambers of Commerce and Mr A. David

Lady Rowlandson Sir Graham and Lady Rewlandson: gave a dinner party at 18 Gros-venor Square yesterday in honour of the Ambassador of Finland and Mme Tötterman. Those present miziqued: "The High Commissioner for New Zea-land and Mrs Gunder, the Ambassador 00" Argentina and Señor de Orir de Ruzas, Lord and Lady Ponsonby of Shulbrede, Lord and Lady Ponsonby of

Service dinners

The officers dining club of the Kent and Sharpshooters Yeomanry held their annual dinner at Royal nelo their annual officer is Royal Yeemamy Headquarters, West-minster, last night. Colonel Robin Leigh Pemberton, honorary porsoiled and Major-General G. P. B. Roberts was among those who attended.

The Prince of Wales, Colonel-in-Chief. The Parachute Regiment. this morning at Windsor Castle received Lieutenant-Colonel P. M. Beaumont on his relinguishing command of the 4th (V) Battalion and Lieutenant-Colonel E. C. Loden upon his assuming com-

mand.

His Royal Highness. Duke of Rothesay, this afternoon met the members and supporters of the Western Isles Kidney Machine Trust at the Drill Hall, Stornoway, Isles of Lewis, and afterwards embarked in the freezer trawler "Junella" which will fish off the North West Coast of Scotland.

The Prince of Wales, attended by the Hon Edward Advance, tray-

by the Hon Edward Adeane, trav-elled in an aircraft of The Queen's Flight.

The Lady Susan Hussey has suc-

ceeded the Hon Mary Morrison as Lady in Waiting to The Queen. BUCKINGHAM PALACE April 21: The Princess Anne. Mrs Mark Phillips, was present this afternoon at a publication parts for The Farrier and His Craft which was held at Saddlers Hall, Cutter Lane, EC4. Miss Victoria Legge-Bourke was in attendance.

The Rose Ball, in aid of Alexandra Rose Day, will be held on Thurs-day, May 22, at Grosvenor House. Park Lane. Park Lane.

A service of thanksgiving for the life of the Earl of Halifax will be held at 11.30 am tomorrow in the Guards Chapel, Wellington Bar-

Birthdays today

racks.

Lord Airedale. 65; Mr George Cole. 55; Sir Harold Jeffreys, 89; Sir Leslie Kemp. 90; Mr Laurler Lister. 73; Mr Yehudi Menuhin. 54; the Earl of Oxford and Asquith, 64; Professor Sir Eric Scowen. 70.

Wentworth Milton Mount School

Mount School

Summer Term begins on April 24
when there will be 340 girls in
school with a sixth form of 48
girls. The school dramatic society
will present Julius Cuesar in the
Milton Mount Hall on May 1, 2
and 3. Speech day will be held on
May 23 when the guest of honour
will be Mr David Attenborough,
who will open the new music
school and science laboratories. A
midsummer ball will be held on
Saturday. June 21. The school
service will take place at Richmond
Hill United Reform Church on
Sunday, June 22. Term ends on
July 18 with the end of the year
service when an address will be
given by Mr S. R. Smith (Headmaster of Caterham School).

Westminster School

Election Term at Westminster School begins today. There are 546 members of the school. The Latin play, Terence's Adelphi will be performed on May 31. June 2, 3 and 4 at 8 pm. The school concert is on June 9. The exeat is from May 23 to 27. The election dinner is on July 11 and term ends on that day.

Westonbirt School

The Summer Term opens on Wednesday, April 23. A performance of Verdi's "Requiem" will take place in Gloucester Cathedral at 7.30 pm on May 8. A flower show and fete will be held on Saturday, July 12. The end of term service and house sports day is on Sunday, July 13. Term ends on July 15.

Christening

The sons of Mr and Mrs Martin Barrow were christened Lawrence John William and Edward Michael by the Rev Roger Holloway at Christ Church on the Bluff, Yokobama, Japan, on Sunday,

£500 radio award A BBC Radio 4 programme about

Muslim teenagers in Britain has won a £500 award in the Sandford St Martin Trust contest for the best religious radio programmes of 1979. It was presented at Lambeth Palace, London,

Forthcoming. marriages

Mr L. M. Forbes and Miss H. L. Wintram

The engagement is announced between Richard, younger son of Mr and Mrs James Priestley, of Upton Manor, Upton, Hampshire, and Iona, daughter of Major and Mrs Ion Calvocoressi, of Court Lodge, Westerbam, Kent. The engagement is announced between Lindsay, elder son of Mr and Mrs J. Forbes, of Radlen, Hertfordshire, and Helen, younger daughter of Dr and Mrs E. Wintram, of Coventry, Warwickbetween Peter, eldest son of Mr and Mrs S. J. Stevens, of Whitaker Road, Cardiff, and Jacqueline, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Eric Davies, of Llanble-thian Couchridge saire.

Mr A. D. Lyons and Miss J. S. Rhodes

The engagement is announced between Alastair David, only son of the late Mr and Mrs A. Lyons, of Chipstead, Surrey, and Judith Shauneen, daughter of Mr and Mrs S. J. Rhodes, of Llanfairwaterdine, Shropshire.

Mr A. W. McPhail and Miss E. Hirsch

The engagement is announced between Adgus, younger son of Mr and Mrs P. B. McPhail, of Earth, Cambridgeshire, and Elizabeth, younger daughter of the late Mr. Derrick Hirsch, and of Mrs F. T. Skewes-Cox, of 28 Chaldon Road, London SW6.

Mr C. D. Pallant

and Miss S. J. N. Lewis and Miss S. J. N. Lewis
The engagement is announced between Christopher David, elder son of Lieutenant-Colonel and Mrs D. J. Pallant, of Dusseldorf, West Germany and Surbiton, Surrey, and Sarah Jane Noel, daughter of Mr and Mrs R. A. Lewis, of Reigate, Surrey.

Mr C. J. Rivers and Miss S. M. Mills The engagement is announced between Clive John Rivers, of Witney, Oxfordshire, and Susan Marie Mills, of Alltami, Clwyd.

Malvern College

Worksop College

Latest wills

Research.

The Summer Term at Malvern College begins today. M. J. P. Harper is senior chapel prefect and R. J. Hambleton is junior chapel prefect. The summer concert will be in Big School on May 23. OM Weekend is on May 31 and June 1. Commemoration will be hel dat the end of term on July 12. The preacher will be the Very Rev Dr Edward Carpenter, Dean of Westminster.

The Summer Term begins today. The Northcote-Green Centre, the new craft and design building which has been financed by the 1979 Development Appeal, will be opened on Inspection and Open Day (May 30) by Mr R. J. Northcote-Green, headmaster 1952-70. The principal guest for Speech Day on July 12 will be Sir Frederick Dainton, Chancellor of Sheffield University.

Mr Augustus William Childs, of Guildford, left £50,234 net, equally between the Cancer Campaign and Institute of Cancer

Cairoli, Mr Charles, of Blackpool,

Cordy-Simpson, Colonel John Roger, of Shorne, Kent £262,762

Roger, of Snorne, Kent 2-62-762 Giles, Mr Frederick Campbell, of Barnet£122,948 Hilton, Mr Harry Milligan, of Hammersmith, London ... 274,868 Minshall, Mr Fawcett Richard, of Market Drayton, farmer £186,764

£175,493

Epsom College Today's engagements Epsom College The Summer Term at Epsom College begins today. Epsom College is this year celebrating the 125th anniversary of its foundation in 1855. An anniversary appeal for \$400,000 is being launched in May. Founder's Day will be on Saturday, June 7, when the chief guest will be Professor Sir Douglas Black, President of the Royal College of Physicians. The midsummer concert will be on Saturday, June 14. Term ends on Friday, July 11, and there will be a special andiversary ball at the college on that evening. The Old Boys' dinner will be held on Friday, September 5.

Mr R. Priestley

Mr P. J. Stevens

and Miss J. D. Davies

thian, Cowbridge.

Marriages

Mr G. Booker and Miss T. Bunker

Mr J. M. T. Ambrose and Miss P. M. Brown

Major N. J. C. Washington and Miss J. A. Kekewich

The engagement is announced

A. KeKewich, of Abbothill by

The marriage took place on April 19, 1980, in Ballachulish, Argyll, between Mr John Maurice Timothy Ambrose, of Chertsey.

Surrey, and Miss Patricia Mary Brown, of Glencoe, Argyll.

and Miss T. Bunker
The marriage took place on Saturday, April 19. at Chelsea Register
Office between Mr Graham
Booker and Miss Theresa Bunker.
A reception was held at the
headquarters of the Honourable
Artillery Company.

and Miss I. Calvocoressi

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother visits Tyrwhitt House, conval-escent home of Ex-Services Mental Welfare Society, near Leatherhead, 3.15.

Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester, Patron, Girls Public Day School Trust, opens science laboratories Ipswich High School, 12.15.

12.15.
The Duke of Kent lunches with
Society, 60 President of Law Society, 60 Carey Street, 12.50, later, as Patron of Buck's Club attends committee digner, Buck's Club, Clifford Street, 8.10.

Exhibitions: The Vikings, British Museum, 10 to 5; Japan Style, Victoria and Albert Museum, 10 Lectures: The Byelorussian Tar-tars, by Mrs Shirin Akiner, Pushkin Club, North Kensington,

Pushkin Club, North Kensington, 7.30; Ceramics in 80s, by Eileen Graham, Victoria and Albert Museum, 1.15.
Walks: Discovering London, Mayfair, meet Green Park station, 7.30; Roman London, meet Tower Hill station, 7.30: literary London, Fleet Street, meet Straul's station, 2; ghosts in Westminster, meet St James's station, 7.

By Geraldine Norman

Sale Room Correspondent

The Iranian colony in exile turned up in strength for the sale of important Oriental manuscripts and miniatures by the Hagop Kevorkian Fund at Sotheby's yesterday. Dealers and collectors

yesterday. Dealers and contectors from Iran are now living abroad, mainly in Europe, but there seems to be enough money around to make for a strong market in

Persian art.

The sale totalled £243,963 with
2 per cent unsold, an outstandingly buoyant result after the dip
in prices seen last autumn. The

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Kevorkian provenance was no doubt a help: Sotheby's have been selling art works from the superb collection formed by Mr.

Kevorkian since 1967.

Hagop Kevorkian since 1967.
Two Mughal miniatures dating from around 1610-20 made the top prices of the day. One depicts "a holy man listening to a winged archangel preaching in a laud-scape" sold for £17,000 (estimate responses 10000) to Snieks.

scape " sold for £17,000 (estimate £8,000 to £10,000) to Spinks.

The second, apparently from the same hand and from the same

Mackintosh, were opened by the Lord Provost of Glasgow, Mr David Hodge, yesterday. He officially unveiled The Willow, with its original wronght iron work, the Margaret MacDonald accepted a reproduction Rennie Mackintosh chair from the developers as a memento. The rooms, opened in 1904, ave been painstakingly

Tea Rooms in Sauchiehall

Glasgow:

Sotheby's sale attracts Iranian exiles

ing was kept from the letting which have market until the work had been been restored in the original completed. It offers 3,300 sq ft design of Charles Rennie on the ground floor with a gallery area of 80 sq ft and 1.300 sq ft at basement level. The upper office doors have been restored in the Rennie Mackintosh mode. The re-development was undertaken by gesso panel, the trilis work and the Arrowcraft Group and Lon-a "room de luxe" on the first don Transport Pension Funds. floor. On behalf of the city he The Glasgow architects. Kennie The Glasgow architects, Keppie Henderson and Partners, of which Rennie Mackintosh was once a partner, were the con-

album, depicts "a ruler receiving a delegation of ministers at an encampment in a rocky land-scape". That made £16,000 (estimate £6,000 to £3,000) to Colnaghi's.

In the calligraphy section. Iranian dealers remained the strongest buyers; one paid £4,800 [estimate £1,000 to £3,000] to man lustre bowl of the tenth century, cracked and stuck together. Another Iranian dealer paid £1,000 to £3,000] on an exceptionally large (estimate £1,000 to £3,000) on an exceptionally large (estimate £1,000 to £1,000) on an exceptionally large (es

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al-Katib dating from c1650. An early seventeenth-century Isfahan lish porcelain included a particular property of the south after the country of the same appropriate the country of the same appropriate the same appropriate the country of the same appropriate the same appropr

miniature by the sought after larly attractive Chelsea group of Persian artist Riza: Abboasi, around 1755 of a pair of Tyrolean depicting a pensive youth, richly dressed, seated under a tree made dancers. It is not exceptionally dressed, seated under a tree made rare but this example was perfect \$14,000 (estimate \$12,000 to and the colouring was particularly

Rooms restored: The Willow restored. That part of the build-

Korchnoi and Sosonko share lead By Harry Golombek Chess Correspondent The lead in the Phillips and Drew

Kings tour nament at County Hall, London at the end of round 10 vesterday was shared by the two former Soviet grandmasters. Korchnof and Sosonko, both of whom had quick draws giving them a total 64 points each. Korchool still has an adjourned

Korchnoi still has an adjourned game to finish against Larsen, but that may be discounted sinre it is an open secret that it is quite lost for him.

Apart, from these two early draws, every game was fiercely contested, and in the only unfinished game, between the two Scandingvian grandmasters, Larsen and Andersson, the latter seemed to have a minute ending

and Andersson. The latter seemed to have a winning ending.

Browne as usual got into heavy time trouble against Gheorghlu. and although he managed to make his 40 moves with the flag on his clock just suspended before falling, his position was hopeless, and he promptly resigned.

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Before that, Speelman had efficiently disposed of Short: Stean, quite out of form, lost to Ljuhojevic without much hope of ever saving his position. Nunn, handicapped by a heavy cold, had soon dissipated his opening advantage and was competently advantage and was competently disposed of by Timman, the Dutch grandmaster.

The scores at the end of round

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10 are:

Korchand 6:, and I add; Sosonko 6:,

Ruberson, 6 and I add; Miles and

Litholevic 6: Sax, Speciman and Tunmon 5:, Gheorghu 5 and 1 add;

Browne 1: Num 5-: Stean 5, Larsen

2', and 3 add; and Short 1'.

Results of round 10:

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Results of adjourned games,

Agreement with county saves old manor house

By a Staff Reporter The future of Gainsborough Old Hall, one of the best preserved fifteenth-century manor houses in Britain, seems assured because of an agreement between Lincoln-shire County Council's museum service and the Friends of the Old Hall, who have worked for 31 years to save the building from

lecay.
Responsition of the Old Hall became the responsibility of the Department of the Environment

Department of the Environment when it took over its ownership in 1970. Now Liurolosbire County Council will look after the museum, which includes a fine collection of furniture from the late Elizabethan to the Victorian period, and the friends will arrange visists and testings for social functions.

Built by the de Burgh family, Gainsborough Old Hall was inhabited by members of the family until 1596 when it was sold by Thomas Lord Burgh, Lord Deputy of Ireland: to cover debts he had incurred as a courtier and servant of Queen Elizabeth I.

It was bought by William Hickman and remained in the family until 1826 when it passed to the Bacons. The Friends of the Old Hall began to maintain it and convert it imo a furnished house and

vert it into a furnished house and museum after it was leased to them by Sir Edmund Bacon in 1949.

Latest appointments

Latest appointments include: Mr Neil Merritt, Director of Mr Neil Merritt, Director of Ealing College of Higher Education, and Mr Nicholas Wolfers, assistant director of the project and export fluance section of Samuel Montagu and Co Ltd, to be trustees of the Central Bureau for Educational Visits and Exchanges. changes.



Archaeology report **Dartmoor:** Chronology of settlements

By a Special Correspondent The 500 square kilometres of Dartmoor contain what is probably the most impressive surviving prehistoric landscape to be found in Britain as the enclosures, houses,

stone rows and circles were built of the readily available granite blocks and have survived largely unchanged by subsequent land use. Before 1000 BC Dartmoor was a more favourable region for settle-ment by agricultural communities than is the case today, for present opinion maintains that the moor has arrived at its present inhespitable appearance because of a climatic deterioration and exploitation by man.

A higher mean annual tempera-

cairns, land-boundaries (repres).

ture and a deciduous oak forest up to about 360 metres would have facilitated settlement. In addition the Dartmoor granite contains large deposits of tin and copper for exploitation. The numerous ruins of prehistoric settlements that are found primarily in the river valleys confirm that some 3.000 to 4.000 years ago, Dartmoor was a favoured place for settle-

ment.
The chronology of those settlements, the economic base on which they depended, their impact on the natural environment, population statistics and the nature of the society they represent are only imperfectly understood as a result of extensive but crudely executed excavations in the nineteenth and early twentieth centuries.

In recent years research by staff and students of Sheffield University has indicated that tracts of upland Dartmoor were enclosed and extensively farmed during the second millennium BC. Since 1976 investigations have been paralleled by a project near the villages of Shaugh Prior and Wotter, on the south-west fringe of Dartmoor, that has been financed by the Department of the Environ-

ment in advance of china clay ex-traction and tipping programmes.

The settlements, fields, funerary
and ceremonial monuments that survive on Shaugh Moor and Wotter Common are typical of the well-preserved prehistoric land-scapes available for study on Dartmoor; the impending destruction of parts of that system provided an opportunity to improve our understanding of such settlements by means of planned survey and excavation programmes combined with scientific investigations of soils and peat deposits.

Dargmoor. in common with other upland areas, presents the archaeologist with several probtems. Implements, other than those in flint and stone, are rare in the acid soils and bone disappears without trace. Pottery is not common and wood and skins. which must have been important materials, have long since yed. The evidence that sur-

vives for the archaeologist is therefore the stone structures of various types and their distribution, stone tools, rare pottery and metal goods and the evidence for economic practice and environ-mental background that can be obtained from a scientific study

of the soils and peat.
The South Dartmoor Archaeological Project has a continuous
survey programme to discover new sites and to establish the pattern of settlement in the region com-bined with a scientific programme to obtain the economic and environmental evidence. This work provides a framework within which the excavation programme is designed. After a preliminary survey in 1976 the excavation programme began in 1977 with a group of six cairns and was continued in 1978, with the total excavation of a village enclosure and its house with a party of the continued in 1978. and its houses with parts of a field system. In 1979 the project was continued with an extensive investigation of a poorly preserved field system that had been dis-covered after a survey earlier that

The six cairus were excavated in advance of a tipping programme and were dated to between 1600 and 1300 BC. A pit beneath one cairn produced fragments of seg-mented faience beads that were a rare but distinctive commodity in Britain in the early Bronze Age. No human bone cremated or unburnt was found. Its absence is unlikely to be completely caused by soil acidity and some ritual

explanation seems probable.

The village settlement was an oval enclosure 74 by 60 metres. surrounded by a single stone wall which was repully expanded in which was totally excavated in advance of china clay extraction. Within the enclosure were five circular houses built of stone, most of which showed signs of at least one major rebuilding.

Their roofs were supported on timber uprights, the paved floors were provided with drains and the entrances with porches. One important result was the record-ing of a circular building that had been constructed entirely of timber. Such structures decay without leaving any trace on the present day ground surface but they must be taken into account when esti-mating settlement density and also when planning excavation

programmes.

The enclosure and its houses were probably occupied for about 1.000 years from 1700 to 700 BC with a maximum population of 11 or 12 adults. It was sized in an area of pasture some distance from any field systems at present known to us and may well have participated in a mixed farming/ trading/industrial economy as part

in 1978 a survey of the village playground at Wotter recorded the remains of two walled settlements and their houses, rogether

with a land boundary or reave with a laint boundary or reave aligned south from one of the enclosures. It was necessary to excavate a part of this reave in advance of a new road and it proved to be a two-period struc-ture associated with build-ups of soil that may been resulted from soil that may have resulted from ploughing, one of which sealed a deposit dating from about 1700 BC.

Last year the project was engaged on the surrey and excava-tion of a field system defined by discontinuous lengths of stone walling that will ultimately be destroyed by a tipping programme. A detailed survey initially planned the field walls and coleted them. the field walls and related them to more extensive traces of settle-ment to the north. The excavation and the scientific investigations of soils and peats that accompany or sous and peats that accompany it are designed to date the field system so as to relate it to other settlements nearby; to examine its development with a view to establishing a pattern of land husbandry, what crops were grown and whether the remains of timber houses exist in and around the fields. They investigations are still fields. Thes investigations are still in progress and will be concluded in 1980.

The project is being conducted by the Central Excavation Unit of the Department of the Environ-ment, as part of a national programme for the selective excava-tion of areas of archaeological interest that are threatened by destruction, and which it is not possible to preserve.

The limited resources available enforce a high degree of selectivity on this programme, which is therefore determined on the basis of regional and national research priorities. The Dartmoor project illustrates the implementation of that policy as it is concerned with a typical fragment of the well-preserved prehistoric landscapes available for study on Dartmoor that provide such excellent, though neglected, opportunities for sophisticated settlement analyses.

The destruction through china clay extraction of parts of this landscape has provided the opportunity to develop a flexible research strategy which has relevance to the more general problems of Dartmoor settlement. The multidisciplinary nature of the project involves the investigation of the patterns of environmental change on Dartmoor over the past 5,000 years, the nature of human settlement within that time-span and the complex inter-relation of climate and long-term human activity which has created the present appearance of Dartmoor and which has relevance to modern

Record entry of 2,206 pairs for bridge contest

By Our Bridge Correspondent A record entry of 2,206 pairs took 2355: 10. J. Buck R. Semp (NW).
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(Norfolk), 2.185,
Birminolham (Midlands); 1, S. Gore,
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1,280; 3, W. P. (Jook, N. J. Stevens,
(Notis), 1,277; 3, Mrs. S, Haytack,
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M. H. Alrey, S, J. Green (Warwicks),
1,226.

From The Times of Friday, April 22, 1955 Poujade's success

25 years ago

M Poujade, the man who encourages French shopkeepers to refuse to pay their taxes until there has been a satisfactory fiscal reform would not have had such success if conditions had not been particularly ripe for him. The rise of his monoment is housed an with of his movement is bound up with two main causes of France's ecouomic Ills: the increasing impover-ishment of large parts of central and south-western France, and the swollen condition of the distributive trades, too many shopkeepers rive trades, too many shopkeepers trying to make a living by selling too few goods to too few people. Pourjadism had its earliest and most striking successes in central France where for generations there has been a steady drain of population and which now has the least number of motor care wice. least number of motor cars, wire-less sets and other supposed em-

Memorial service

£18,000).

which.

Lady Margadale The Prime Minister was repre-sented by Mr Denis Thatcher at a memorial service for Lady Margadale held yesterday in Salis-bury Cathedral. The Dean of Salis-bury Officiated, and the Bishop of

bury officiated, and the Bishop of Salisbury, who pronounced the blessing, the Ven S. B. Wingfield Digby, the Rev R. A. Willis and the Rev C. M. Hutchings also took part. The Speaker was represented by Mr. Michael Hamilton, MP. Lord and Lady Home of the Hirsel and Mr. Edward Heath, MP. attended. Among others present were: were: Lord Marquadale thusbands, the Hon James and Mrs Morrison (son and daughter-in-law), the Hon Charlos

the afternoon Someby's

in view of the political

moved on to a mixed property sale of Islamic works of art

turmoil, also proved outstandingly buoyant with a total of £156,820

and 10 per cent unsold. Again expatriate Iranian dealers were the main buyers. A large Isnik

tile panel made up of sixteen

square tiles painted in red, blue and green with a pomegranite

Morrison. MP. and the Hon Peter Morrison. MP. (3005), the Hon Mary Morrison (denghter). Mr. Alaster Morrison (denghter). Mr. Alaster Morrison, Mr. Hugh Morrison and Mr. David Morrison (grandsonas), the Hon James Smith (brother), the Dowager Viscountess Hambleden Lady Helen Smith Colonel and Mr. Scrope Egerton, the Hon Mr. Allen Mr. And Helen Mr. Peter Brand Mr. and the Hon Mrs. Peter Brand Mr. and Mrs. Julian Smith, Miss Joanna Smith, Mr. and Mrs. David Smith Mr. Smith Mr. David Smith Mr. Peter Sanguinetti, Lord and Lady David Cecili. The Duke of Beaufort, Es. and Countess of Recknock, the Earl and Countess of Recknock, the Earl and Countess of Radnor, the Earl of Hallax, the Countess of Anthum, Mary Countess of Moray, Viscount and Viscountess of Moray, Viscount and Viscountess of Moray, Viscount and Viscountess of Moray, North Recognition of Moray, Viscountess of Moray, Viscountess of Moray, Moray,

and the colouring was particularly good. It sold for £10,000 (estimate £3,500.£4,500).

It was the second time the group had been in the sale room in a decade. It was sold from Baron Dimsdale's collection at Sotheby's in 1973 for £2,200

The sale totalled £121,243 with

15 per cent unsold. The unsold percentage reflects the lack of interest in more ordinary items, especially those not in good

Science report Molecular biology: Parasitic DNA staff of Nuture ted by recent unexpected tries in their field, four lar biologists confront in a issue of Nuture the possithat much of the DNA we ustomed to think of as the ustomed to think of as the ustomed to think of as the ustomed to think of the DNA we ustomed to think of the parameters of the

Stimulated by recent unexpected discoveries in their field, four discoveries in their field, four molecular biologists confront in a recent issue of Nature the possirecent issue of runare the possi-bility that much of the DNA we are accustomed to think of as the genetic specification for the varied members of the plant and animal kingdom is actually the specifica-tion for nothing but itself.

It has been pointed out often in the history of molecular

in the history of molecular genetics that plants and animals are just elaborate mechanisms used by DNA to make more DNA. But it has generally been assumed that the DNA contained in the plants and animals must buy its right to persist there by contributing to their survival. What Dr W. Ford Doolittle and Dr Carmen Sapienza, of Dalhousle University, and Dr L. E. Orgel and Dr F. H. C. Crick, at the Salk Institute, have now proposed however, is that some plant and animal DNA may be there purely for the ride.

The idea of functionless DNA is

by no means new, and Dr Crick, who won a share of a Nobel Prize for his part in discovering the structure of DNA, is one of a number of biologists who have given it passing consideration before now. There are several long-standing puzzles to which "parasitic" DNA might provide an answer. For example, animal cells in general have considerably more DNA than molecular biologists have calculated they should used to make all the molecules necessary for even very complex

Even more striking, the amount of extra DNA does not seem to bear any reasonable relationship to the complexity of the life-form. Lilies and salamanders have some. thing like 20 times as much DNA cell as people do.

Not only is the amount of DNA in cells something of a problem, but its nature also is often surprising, DNA is a long molecule made up of four different kinds of sub-unit which effectively comprise the "letters" of the genetic code specifying an organism. The order-

explained why.

That is the kind of phenomenon that has caused biologists to specu-late in the past on the question of DNA that has no function. More recently, deeper investigations into the genes of animal cells have re-reated oven more remarkable and inexplicable features of their

Two discoveries in particular have brought molecular biologists up short. First, it seems that certain stretches of DNA can reproduce themselves in large numbers which are able to scatter them. which are able to scatter themselves about in an animal's chromosomes. They are detected by techniques for identifying particu-lar stretches of DNA and looking such stretches in sequential generations of laboratory animals.
Second, animal genes have proved to be interrupted by suretches of DNA which do not code with the gene product. The products of genes are molecules protein, and the order of the chemical subunits of a molecule of protein directly reflects the order of the subutits of the DNA which codes for it. When molecule biologists succeeded in isolating animal genes for known proteins, therefore, they were able to see at once that the coding sequences were interrupted by DNA that did not correspond to parts of the protein molecule. Further investigation has shown that those sequences are removed from the genetic message at an early stage in the process of translating the DNA code into a protein molecule, but no function has been found for the inter-

Dr Doolittle, Dr Sapienza, Dr Orgel and Dr Crick suggest that no function has been found for the various repetitive and interrupting sequences of DNA because. they have no function.

They make the important point

complex animals with a large energy budget. That is important because having to reproduce DNA that serves no purpose is a burden on the energy economy of a cell. Something like a bacterium man or mouse or a plant or a fly. DNA replication represents a relatively small drain on total energy resources. Orgel and Dr Crick, who

or Orgel and Dr Crick, who also consider the question of how cells can afford the extra DNA, add that there is good evidence that most of the DNA of higher organisms is never decoded. That means it is a very small burden on the energy resources of the cell and furthermore is not subject to natural selection through ject to natural selection through any damaging effect of its product. A piece of DNA which inserted itself into a gene and was translated into an extra part of a protein would almost cer-tainly interfere with the function of that protein and might well be lethal to the animal. Dr Crick and Dr Orgel have

calculated roughtly how long it might take an organism to get tid of a piece of DNA that was rid of a piece of DNA that was doing it very little harm, and concluded that it could easily take several million years. On that basis, they say, "the spread of selfish DNA sequences" among an animal's genes "can be compared to the spread of a not-too-harmful parasite within its bost". That is not mean that once a That is not to say that once a DNA sequence exists, it may not come to be used by cells if by Chance it develops a useful property. In that case, of course, i would spread among animals bearing it by the accepted pro-cess of Darwinian natural selecdon. However, we can no longer safely assume that the DNA we carry around in our cells is all there for sound evolutionary

Source: Nature, April 17 (284, 601 and 604; 1980).

HERR HELMUT KAUTNER

OBITUARY

Noted German film director

Helmut Käutner, the Germa film director, actor and screer writer, died at his home it Italy on April 20, aged 72. He had been ill for some time Born in Düsseldorf, he studie art and drama at Munich Un versity and began his career i. cabarets. He later worked a ab actor and director i theatres in Leipzig. Munic and Berlin, entering the cinem as a scriptwriter and direction his first film in 1939. H worked through the war year. mostly on light comedies an romances, and often acted in his own films. After the war he was one o

the first directors to be give a licence to make films by th a licence to make films by the British authorities and win Wolfgang Staudte he was ristually the only German directo of the period to gain a reputrition outside his name with twe films set in the Nazi era—The Last Bridge (1954), with Marin Schell, which won first prizar the Cannes Film Festiva and The Devil's General adaptation of the play by Car Zuckmayer, with Cart Jurgen in the name part. His other notable films included The Captain of Köpernick from the famous satire on Prussing mill tarism, and a biography of Ludwig II, with O. W. Fischer In 1957 he went to Holly wood where he directed twentier to Holly wood where he directed twentier full Years, with Teresa Wright and A Stranger in my Armsstarring June Allyson and Jef Chandler. After this he returned to Germany where he continued to make films until 1970. The best known of his later works is The Rest Silence, a version of Hamlet se in modern Germany with Hard de Kruger as the prince. British authorities and wit Kruger as the prince.

PROFESSOR H.

PROCTER-GREGG Professor Rumphrey Procter Gregg, CBE, who died on April 13 at the age of 84, was Profes-sor of Music in the University of Manchester from 1954 to 1952 and Director of the Lon don Opera Centre from 1962 to 1963.

The son of Oliver Procter-Gregg, he was born on July. William's College, Peterhouse, Cambridge, where he was a history and organ scholar, and the Royal College of Music, where be-was an opera scholar and won a studentship to La Scala, Milan. Later he was opera manager to the Roy.: College of Music and stage manager and/or producer to Covent Garden, British National Opera Company and the Carl Rosa opera companies. He held similar posts with the Royal Manchester College of Music and the BBC opera section. He became Director of

the Carl Rosa in 1958. Be composed a number of sonatas and songs as well a: music for the piano. He was made CBE in 1971.

MISS BARBARA SUTHERLAND Professor David M. Lan:

Many past and presen students of the University o London and colleagues it widely separated lands, have felt a deep sense of loss at the ecent death at the age of 51 of Miss Barbara Sutherland JP, Warden of National House the London University later collegiate Hall of Residence fo

Barbara Sutherland was

sociable and loyal friend and made Nutford House a happ place for students from man countries of the world. She have age sound administrative sense which enabled her to achievhigh standards of management She was such a pleasant, ur. assuming person that few ba. any inkling of the iron will that lay behind the equable manne with which she tackled the problems besetting the present day University administrator lines.

After graduating from University College, London, in 195 she spent three eventful year. in Kenya in the Desert Locus Survey. She gained a Privat-

Pilot's licence, later a Night

Flying licence as well In 1955, she took up a teach ing appointment at the RA school at Changi in Singapore then went on to spend six year in Zanzibar as Headteistress (4/10) the Girls' High School there. Her next assignment was a Headmistress of the Girls' Hig School in Aden, in all thes posts, she witnessed politica upheavals of an alarming kind but invariably stayed at her pos

throughout. was later appointe Warden of West Park Hall 2 he University Vot Dunde before succeeding Mrs Elizabeth Osman as Warden of Nutfor House, in Brown Street, W She lectured widely in chosen field of geography, an was a Fellow of both the Roys. Asiatic and the Royal Ger graphical Societies She dieafter a brief but painful illnes when she still had very muc to contribute to the social an intellectual life of the Unive sity, and of the world at large

SIGNOR CORRADO PAYOLIN

Signor Corrado Pavolini, in Florentine writer, journali and critic, died in Corton Italy, on April 10. He was 82. Pavolini's various artisti interests included theatric direction, and the translatio of poetry and novels of suc English authors as Christophe Marlowe, John Dryden and F M. Forster.

He is survived by his so Luca, a member of the Conmunist Party directorate and former editor of the organ L'Unita.

land-management. molecule, therefore, extremely varied, just that extra DNA exists, so far as anyone knows, exclusively in المكامنالا مرائ

Stock markets FT Index 441.1, down 1.6 FT Gilts 67.0, up 0.32

Sterling

\$2,2330, up 1.3 cents Iudex 73.2, up 0.2

Dollar Index 88.7, up 0.2

Gold \$497.50, down \$15

Money

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IN BRIEF

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cial indicators of cyclical tents in the economy fell onth. The Central Statis-Office published the ins for February and yesterday and they con-the general view that onomy is sliding into re-

indicator, which is sup-to foreshadow changes in onomy by a year, the leading index, fell last for the tenth month g in succession. It now 11½ per cent below its

Shorter leading indicator ady between January and ry, while the coincident dropped by † per cent. gging indicator, which is ad to follow economic to follow economic by several months, d by 1½ per cent between ry and March. It has now illing since last summer.

-Japanese venture

Royce and Japanese Engines, a 50-50 joint y formed to develop a t engine, the RJ500, for airliners with between i 150 seats, has held its pard meeting in Derby. ley Raeburn was elected

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wing needs rise net borrowing require-industrial and commer-npanies went up from in 1978 to £6,342m ur, according to figures i yesterday by the Statistical Ofice.

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y deal giving rises of up er cent to 47,000 pottery s has been signed in in Trent, It was accepted imbers of the Ceramic llied Trades Union in a

eserves limit ld fin reserves amounting

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British National Oil Corporation records profit of £75m for 1979

Ine Iour-year-old British
National Oil Corporation made
its first profit of £75m last year.
Set up by Mr Eric Varley
when he was Secretary of State
for Energy to give the state a
direct share in offsbore oil, the
corporation in 1979 still needed to borrow a net £82m from the Government to finance its development.
But since last autumn, the

BNOC has been making a net contribution to the Exchequer. By June 1981, it will have paid off \$400m (£181m) of the \$825m (£373.3m) raised from a consortium of United States and United Kingdom basks.

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By the end of the same year, cashflow will have been sufficient to repay all the £451m taken so far from the United Kingdom Government through the national oil account set up specially to finance its activities.

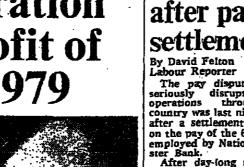
The Government has said it intends to invite private capital into the offshore interests of the BNOC. According to the annual report published today, the corporation's share of recoverable offshore reserves stood at 800 million barrels. Legislation is expected to be introduced in the next session which would realize at least

£700m if shares equal to a third of the North Sea assets were sold. annual report, Mr Ronald Uriger, chairman of the corporation, appealed to the Government to introduce private capital in a way which "retains the capacity of the corporation to serve the national interests as may be required,

and avoids the danger of total upheaval every time Government changes."
Dr David Owen, the Opposition spokesman on energy, has threatened to renationalize any sale of shares in the BNOC. Mr Unger said yesterday: "I am concerned that anything that is done is done so that

BNOC does not become a political football". Mr. Utiger stressed the success of BNOC last year. It had achieved the target of profitability set by the government in 1978. It had drilled more exploration wells than any other

have gone elsewhere. Exploration which rose 40 per cent to £32m last year, is to go up another 25 per cent to £40m this year. capital expenditure in total is to run between £250m to £350m over the next few years.



Mr Utiger: BNOC should become a political foot-

The BNOC has an interest in eight fields either under pro-duction or in development. Its share of their total cost is esti-mated at more than £1,600m. Projects in the near future

will include development of its discovery on offshore Block 30/17b. Tenders have been accepted for the design of a production system. Further appraisal of drilling

is under way to test the best way to exploit new reserves found near the Thistle field, and more appraisal would take place on Marathon's recent gas and gas condensate find in Block 16/3a in which it has a

Development of 16}3a, however, will not take place for some time. The corporation expects to bid as part of six or eight con-sortia formed to apply for the seventh round of licences expected to be announced for

oil and gas exploration before the end of the month. The Department of Energy is believed to have decided to offer 100 blocks rather than the dragging anchor earlier this month, near where it links to

ploration wells than any other operator in the North Sea and had brought oil to the United Kingdom during the world shortage caused by the Iranian cutbacks which might otherwise expenditure other systems at the Dunlin platform, should be repaired between May 15-20. Production from the field is being deliv-ered to tankers loading off-

Bank strike called off after parity settlement

The pay dispute which has seriously disrupted banking operations throughout the country was last night called off after a settlement was reached on the pay of the 68 messengers employed by National Westmin-ster Bank.

After day-long talks in Lon-don, the Banking, Insurance and Finance Union instructed its

members on strike to return to members of strike to return to work immediately. The union estimated that yesterday more than .5,000 messengers and engineers were on strike and said that since the strike began last Tuesday a backlog of 10 million cheques had built up at NatWest. NarWest.

The union called the strike after NatWest refused to give messengers under the age of 30 pay parity with unskilled maintenance staff. BIFU asked that a minimum salary of £3,750 should be awarded to all messengers over 21, and in yesterday's negotiations the bank agreed to this but the parity payments are being staged over

two years.
The bank had been reluctant to concede the parity claim be-cause it feared it would have an effect on other age-related pay scales and influence the pay of thousands of other bank

Mr Robert Johnson, one of BIFU's London organizers, said last night: "This was certainly a great victory for the union which has matured and come of

age today".

BIFU members were not instructed to strike in support of the messengers, but received union backing if they did stop work. All five major clearing banks were affected by the action and the union said that the Access credit card computer centre at Southend had been stopped when union members walked out.

other Among centres out of action were the Lloyds and NatWest centres in the City. The union mounted a picket outside the Bank of England to prevent bullion being moved. Bank cash centres, which issue money to branches, were also hit in several parts of the country.

With messengers on strike and drivers of security vans, who are members of the Transoffer 100 blocks rather than the 70 originally planned as a 1 tresult of pressure for extra acreage from the industry.

The pipeline from the Thistle field which was damaged by a creating anchor earlier this mission. The union is in the middle of

annual pay negotiations for clerical employees in the banks, and the employers believed that the messengers dispute was the messengers dispute was simed at influencing these negotiations.

EEC concerned that American reluctance to contribute may endanger substitution account;

European monetary authorities are becoming increasingly concerned that the United States is not prepared to make a sufficient contribution to get the planned substitution account at the International Monetary Fund off the ground.

Speaking after a meeting of EEC finance ministers today, Signor Filippo Pandolfi, the Ipelian treasury minister and chairman of the IMF's interim committee, said that the issue of the United States carrying an appropriate burden in the substitution account was one of the key points of the scheme to be resolved at the interim committee meeting in Hamburg later this week.

Signor Pandolfi that the finance ministers had agreed at an informal meeting in Sicily over the weekend that the European Community must now play a more active role in recycling the surplus wealth of the oil-producing nations.

The substitution account, the main point for discussion at this week's Hamburg meeting, is intended to bring the world a little closer to a reform of international monetary It is intended to enable countries with huge dollar re-

serves, such as the oil states, and orderly manner by ex-changing dollars for assets denominated in Special Drawing Rights (SDR). The idea has several attrac-

tions. While bypassing the vola-tile foreign exchange markets, it could lead partly to a con-solidation of dollar reserves and could ease the pressure felt by countries, such as West Germany, which in recent years have seen their currencies assume reserve currency status in a haphazard fashion.



Signor Filippo Pandolfi: active

The main problem is that someone, somewhere must carry the exchange rate risk of converting dollars into an SDR asset comprising a basket of currencies. The fear in Europe is that the United States wants this risk covered entirely by the gold holdings of the IMF. It is understood that the

ministers, in agreeing a state-ment to be issued by Signor Pandolfi in Hamburg, concluded that the substitution account would have to be backed up by a contribution from the United States as well as IMF gold.

Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chan-cellor of the Exchequer, said after the meeting that the ministers had come to no precise conclusion on what the Americans should contribute, but that it was clear that a sub-stitution account without United States participation would not



participation essential

West German delegation sources were suggesting that the IMF might put up 30 million ounces of gold, worth at towards the recycling issue. present around \$15,000m (about £6,700m) to cover the risks in Such suggestions beg ques-

tions as to the United States contribution and the eventual size of the account. The West Germans were suggesting an initial account of \$20,000m conpared with IMF proposals for a \$50,000m account and the entire world dollar reserves of around \$192,000m. The substitution account

might therefore appear to be a relatively small scale response to the problem of the world's excess dollar reserves. But Signor Pandolfi stressed that it could bring much wider

benefits by constituting a big step towards the creation of a

Record profits of £386m by Ford

new monetary system and by introducing stability and reduc-ing turbulence on world currency markets.

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The substitution account is not the only subject for discussion in Hamburg. The proposals, are being flanked by a package of measures to help the position of the less developed countries, the less developed countries. which have expressed reserva-tions over the proposed use of IMF gold to guarantee a scheme, that will benefit the rich coup-tries with excess dollar tries v holdings.

Signor Pandolfi said the meeting will also have to dis-cuss how to implement and support supplementary financing facilities for less developed countries, the way in which conditionality is applied in respect. of poorer countries and now to lower the cost of various facili-ties for this group of countries.

Although the substitution account is not intended as a recycling instrument, the possibility that the United States. might torpedo the scheme by failing to give it financial backing appears to have guided the EEC ministers' thoughts

At the informal meeting in Sicily, Signor Pandolfi was, reported to have invited his Sicily. colleagues to think over the implications of Europe possibly paying for its oil in national currencies, a mixture of currencies or the European currency unit.

Another idea put forward was that the Opec states should pay the Europeans to carry out development work in the Third Signor Pandolfi emphasized

today that the ministers did not discuss specific recycling methods. But studies have been set in train and the issue will clearly be followed up with proposals being presented at one of the European summit meetings scheduled for later

BL joins European makers in research

By Peter Waymark Six of Europe's leading moto

manufacturers, including British Leyland, are to join forces on long-term research. The other ies are Kenawit and the Peugeot-Cirroen-Talbot group from France, Volkswagen of Germany, Fiat of Italy and Volvo of Sweden. The agreement, announced

yesterday, will be submitted for approval shortly under the European Community's monopoly legislation and a joint research committee has been formed to coordinate and allocate research programmes. Specialists from six companies are already deciding on

likely areas for research, such as combustion, heat transfer, aerodynamics, the properties of new materials and quality control. The programmes will cover

basic technology only. The agreement does not envisage the development of common products, such as vehicle com-ponents. It is also stressed that the six companies will continue to compete against each other. The move is interpreted in the motor industry as an attempt by Europe's companies to reduce costs and to become more efficient in the face of

increasing competition from the American multinationals, Ford and General Motors, and the A study by Eurofinance, a Paris-based research organiza-tion, predicted that Europe could become a net suporter of cars as early as 1983. It also predicted a reemergence of pro-

A joint statement said that, although product development was specifically excluded from the agreement, it was hoped that all the companies products would benefit, particularly in energy conservation, reliability, safety and environmental protection.

BL's contribution to the re search will be organized by the company's advanced engineer-ing group, BL Technology, of Kineton, Warwickshire,

show 60 pc increase on the year By Andrew Goodrick-Clarke Ford maintained its reputa-

tion as the only highly profitable mass car manufacturer in were imported. and is the second year running that Ford has achieved record figures. One factor was a dramatic

improvement in the number of days lost through disputes. Against an average of 31,000 days lost during the four years to 1978, Ford lost only 1,000 days during 1979. This obviously led to an

improvement in productivity. Measured by the number of units produced per employee, Ford pushed up the figure to 10.4 units during 1979, against 8.6 units in the previous year. By comparison, each BL worker produced 3.9 umits last year. On the other hand, Ford is a

substantial importer, particu-

larly of cars. Last year, partly industry sources is from 1.7 because of a strike in the previous year which caused a But Sir Terence said that Ford backlog of imports, 248,550 of the 485,559 cars built by Ford 1979 volumes. This means that

achieved on record sales, 35 per cent higher at £3,193m, the first time the company has topped the £3,00m mark. This in turn reflected record units sales of 834,000, against a previous peak of 712,000 units.

Capital spending, which included spending on the new engine plant in south Wales, was £334m during the year, the secnod of a fur-year £1,058m spending programme. Comenting on the figures yes-terday, Sir Terence Beckett,

Ford's chairman and managing director said that despite a record first quarter for sales in the British car market the company expected a downturn this

we need to increase our share Britain last year with a profit Ford's profits (which would to more than 32 per cent (of 6386m. This was nearly 60 be reduced to £293m under the United Kingdom car per cent higher than in 1978 current cost accounting) were market) and so far we are on target ".

Referring to Ford's high import raito, Sir Terence said that some imports, such as those of the Granada and Capri models, were the result of planed company decisions but many were not. "We must continue to raise the level of productivity in British plants if we are to get

the most benefit from the popularity of our vehicle ranges." Ford's wage bill last year totalled £631m, compared with 235m in the previous year, a period which included the worst strike in the company's history, The company's parent in the United States received divi-dends of £135m against £76m

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Liggett wins state court order

was stopped again today. The Liggett board, which is bitterly resisting the 1415m (£180m) offer, won an injunction in court in Wilmington, Delaware, which prevents the British food and hotels group from buying more Liggett shares or doing anything else to further the bid.

Liggert's shares, which had been suspended at the company's request pending the announcement, resumed trading on Wall Street shortly before lunch. They opened unchanged

GM Sub Corporation, the Grand Metropolitan subsidiary involved in the bid, is registered

The most safety conscious companies are those which tend to be commercially successful, according to a report published yesterday by the Health and Safety Executive.

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The report contains the find-

ings of a five-year study by the Accident Prevention Advisory Unit into health and safety

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By Our Labour Staff

officially launched. But federal law, administered

by the Securities and Exchange Commission in Washington, has directly conflicting require-ments. Rules adopted by the commission last December after the passage of the Williams Act in Congress last year require that the bidder launches his offer no more than five days after announcing it. So in complying with federal law, Grand Metropolitan inevitably ran foul of the rules in

The bid will go into limbo for five days until a hearing on the injunction scheduled for next Friday morning in Wilmington, at which the judge

Grand Metropolitan into con-flict with the SEC. A member of the render offer department said that it was the SEC's position that federal law took precedence, but that in this case because the offer had been officially launched there should be no problem. It may mean however that Grand Metropolitan has to extend its offer for a longer period than originally intened. Grand Metropolitan's lawyers in New York had no comment on this latest development, but a spokesman pointed out that the company last week successfully overcame similar conflicts with state law in New Jersey and Next Compline

with state law in New Jersey and North Carolina. Safest companies 'are most successful

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characteristics needed to achieve high standard of health and safety are the same as those required for efficient produc-tion and one of the main reasons for failure by some companies to take effective

measures was the lack of in-volvement by senior manage-

Interest scheme should attract private finance

Tourist boards are to be allowed to offer interest relief grants for tourism development projects. The plan should reduce the cost of borrowing by ground 3 per cent on half the total capital borrowed. The scheme will apply in England, Scotland and Wales. It would allow the tourist

courage the use of private sec-tor capital, Mr John Note, Secretary of State for Trade, said when he announced the move yesterday in the House of Commons.

reduction on last year's alloca-tion. The board will be able to distribute just under £4.3m in capital grants, loans or on the interest relief scheme this year, compared with £4.17m given in grants and loans lest

The interest relief scheme will offer a 3 per cent reduction on commercial maney rates for a four year period. However there will be an optional gearing offering higher relief for the first two years.

Relief will apply to half the capital cost of a new project and three-quarters of the cost of extensions to existing projects. The sim will be to help of extensions to existing projects. The aim will be to help private sector projects anvolving schemes costing between £20,000 and £250,000. However

Mr John Locke, director-general of HSE, said: "I

Light relief for the tourist industry

Because of its limited resources for meeting the in-creasing demand for capital boards to use their limited funds more effectively and en-

Capital grants towards tourist projects will continue to be made by the tourist boards, but the government allocation for the English pleted Loans were likely to be given only in "exceptional circum-stances", Mr Michael Mon-Tourist Board (ETB), disclosed yesterday is, in real terms, 2

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the board will be willing to examine projects costing more than £250,000. It was hoped to generate a total investment this year of about £30m Derek Harris

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Two heads

are better than one...

Committee rejects compulsory registration of tourist accommodation

Official hotel list plan 'too costly

Compulsory registration of accommodation. ing all horels, has been dropped idea because of its unhappy as an option for at least three experiences with a voluntary years by Britain's tourist organic system which the board began zations. Instead present voluntary registration systems . will continue, with tourist boards ments in Wales have consis-working together towards a consistent classification system for the whole of Britain.

This follows a report yesterday by a consultative committee, chaired by Mr John Beavis of system to be introduced. The case for statutory registration comminee decided.

The decision is a blow for the Scottish and Welsh Tourist Boards, which have supported the idea of compulsory registra-

more than ten years ago. Less than 50 per cent of establishboard's register, which appears

in various publications. Last year there was only a 40 per cent response out of a total of around 12,000 establishments. Strathclyde. University, which To be accepted for the register concluded that the time was not means a hotel or other establishtipe for a statutory registration ment offering accommodation has to abide by various minimum standards which are set modation, ranging from class hotels to farmhouses.

The English Tourist Board, on the other hand, has supported theides of voluntary registration which has also been the pre-

viding the public with the ful-ferred option of the British lersey. Northern Ireland lest information about tourist Tourist Authority. The authority the isle of Man. commented: "We feel the The Welsh board backed the present scheme is working quite

The main objection to a comgetting it started. It had been

the volume of work involved. :-The Beavis committee pointed out that a statutory system of registration ought to include adequate checks on standards so tion This would add to the The as to ensure consumer protecadministrative costs.

increasing number of major tourist countries " have brought in some form of compulsory lished lists registration and that statutory registration is well established

Funding a composery system would not be easy. Governmen aid is unlikely to be forth pulsory scheme is the cost of were set to cover the costs i feared that a dispreportionate imposition on the trade initially

number of administrative staffwould be needed to cope with the Beavis, report urged. The need for a consistent basis for registration was also emphasize by the committee, with a review

develop commendation scheme But the committee did point under which hotels and other cularly high standards, would earn a special mention in pul

> A statistical survey to estal lish what tourist accommodatio

UK electronics industry accused of Midlands' being too scared to tackle Japanese support

Britain's electronics industry came under attack yesterday from leaders of the nation's nachine tool manufacturers for failing to supply up-to-date con-trol systems and for being of Japanese

Speaking at a largest international machine tool exhibition to be staged in the United Kingdom, Mr John Halbert, president of the Machine Tool Trades Association, said that Britain lacked the "electronic infrastructure" to allow machine tool makers to combat foreign competition.

many machine tool manufacturers were doing work on electronics that they ought to be able to buy "off the to be able to buy shelf he said.

Mr Halbert's comments followed a recent report from the ment committee, which said it would welcome the entry into the market of "a major United Kingdom electronics manufac-

ways with strong management

teams, but lean on each other

for support. Together they're a

formidable team. So, although

the industrial group had a

tough time of it in 1979,

what with road haulage

and engineering strikes,

the team effort produced

sales of more than £188

market was expecting.

This is a rise of 15.5 per cent

and allows us to recommend

that a final dividend of 6.25p

for the year should be paid.

A rise of 91 per cent on last

time and covered 5.23 times.

to next generation equipments and market them worldwide".

Predominant features of the exhibition, being staged at the National Exhibition Centre and displaying products from more than 40 countries, are numerical and countries, are numerical and countries. cal and computer-controlled machines. Many are manufactured in the United Kingdom, but most are equipped with electronic control systems from Fanuc of Japan, General Elec-tric and Allen-Bradley of the

Mr Halbert said: "We in this country were first in the electronics field, but for too long this has been treated as a boffin's paradise.

"The electronics industry as got the resources but it is has got so scared that the Japanese are

There was a need for a con-certed and joint approach by the major machine tool companies to the General Electric Company and perhaps Racal to encourage development of new

turer with the strength to look systems which would leaptrog for BL is the foreign competition. The compentiveness of the

British industry was hampered severely by the fact that the price of electronics from Japan was up to 40 per cent-higher than that paid by Japanese machine tool manufacturers. machine tool manufacturers. many of our top dustrialists are becoming mer-chant bankers rather than investing in new products. he said. "Some small companies are beginning to show the way and I hope that the giants will United States, or Siemens from

> is to be opened today by Mr. John Nott, Secretary of State for Trade, features the products of 1386 companies, including from the United Kingdom 276 from West Germany, 152 from Italy, 124 from the United States, and 50 from Japan. Equipment on show is valued at more than £100m

Trade delegarions are expected from France, Spain, Norway, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Fast Germany, South Africa, India, Korea, China and Japan,

Midlands Industrial

The Prime Minister. visit to Birmingham yesterda beard first-hand news of th growing support in the Midlands for the stubborn being put up by Sir Micha Edwardes, Bl. chairman, 1 save the state-owned mou

Mr J. L. Brown, president of Birmingham Chamber of Indu try and Commerce Thatcher Despite sense in every level of B miches of the BL workforce greater resolve to see thing through, and a strong enthu-iasm for the potential of the new BL models in the pipe

only the large motor component companies and the small such pliers and processors who could be three or more "removes from BL, but also the man in the street."

cent-plus share of the co-market in the West Midland

compared with around 20 pe cent in other parts of the chamber's annual banquet t boost BL's regional sales sti-further. They should ensur that their companies tried on

or more BL vehicles befor opting for a foreign competitu Welcoming recent ment changes in region policy, he told Mrs Thatche problems of urban areas in the Midlands and the South we more serious and more dange ous than those in the main less populated assisted areas

The "sticks and carrots" the sticks and carrots he traditional regional policy he robbed the West Midlands much of its feed corn to co with industrial and tec nological change,

He reported a "hint of silver liming" to offset t clouded economy shown by chamber's latest servey. Through out of four companies expects to hold or increase their force during the next thr

Shell gives warning of shift in markets

By John Huxley

Petrochemical industries in western Europe face a "race against time to restructure production during the 1980s, according to market forecasts from the Royal Dutch/Shell

They suggest that western European producers will be left with a smaller share of world markets at the end of a decade which will bring a new challenge from manufacturers in South East Asia.

Snell's analysts say restructuring will produce changes in employment—both as a result of job-cutting and relocation of plant—which should be made easier by government assistance.

The report, produced for the group's subsidiary companies gives a warning that the process of adjustment will prove doubly difficult because it must be done quickly and against a background of growing competition.
At present world petrochemical production is shared among western Europe (30 per cent by value); North America (25); centrally-planned economies (25); Japan (10); and the

Western Europe's share would be reduced because of its lower industrial growth compared

rest of the world with 10 per

with other areas, higher costs of feedstock, and the attempts other economies to build up own petrochemicals industries. There would be competition

Middle East producers, as well as from the United States, where producers had an arrificial, competitive advantage. However, the Shell report adds that: "It is quite possible that in the 1980s the spoilight may shift from the oil-export.

countries in the Middle it to South East Asia.

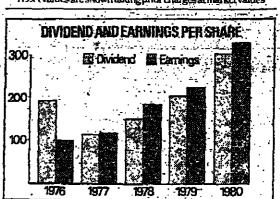
It is significant that among the most successful new producers of recent years have been Taiwan and South Korea.

which have no feedstock advantage but do have ready and rapidly developing local "The petrochemical industry is also developing in Singapore. The impact of all these countries on finished product

markets may also increase." The Mercantile **Investment Trust**

Limited ASSET VALUE PER SHARE AND SHARE PRICE ☐ Asset value - Share price 100 50

Asset values are shown taking prior charges at market values



-- Year to 31st January

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Copies of the Report and Accounts may be obtained from the Company at Bucklersbury House, It Walbrook, London, ECANSED. The Armual General Meeting will be held at The Chartered

Dividends pershare. Insurance institute, 20 Aldermanbier, London EC2V 7HY. on Tuesday, 22nd April at 12 noon.

million. For the fifth year Call to curb running our pre-tax profit was a record one-way £9,705,000 compared with trade in cars £8,400,000 in 1978 and a good deal better than the

Stronger action by Britain and the European Community against the Japanese and east European motor industries' one-way trading policies was urged last night by Sir Barrie Heath, president of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and

Traders.

He said that Japan and eastern Europe had been helped in building substantial industries by a lack of competition from imported cars on their home markets. Other countries were doing the same.

"Europe and other genuine free trade nations must be aware of the threat to their markets and manufacturing industries from imports from such countries. In a period of slack in world car sales, how-ever short, countries like Italy and Britain and their EEC partners have a duty to seek ways to protect their own industries employees from unbalanced competition."

Sir Barrie, speaking at a British motor industry recep-tion in Turin, called for continued pressure to open up all overseas markets. Vigilance was necessary to ensure that products from other countries were not allowed to come on to our markets at unrealistically low

occasional token purchase of European components or technology, accompanied by a public relations fanfare, is no compensation for the flood of complete vehicles from behind the closed doors of the one-way trade nations."

Queen's awards

Seven companies were not included in yesterday's pub-lished list of those which have isshed list of those which have won a Queen's award for export achievement. They are Rank Xerox, Raychem, Redifon Simulation, Redler Conveyors, Reynolds Medical, Stewart Ross and Company and Round Oak Steelworks.

...which is why we stay ahead BIBBY

CHAIRMAN, LESLIE YOUNG, REPORTS ON THE YEAR ENDED 29 DECEMBER 1979:

"During the year the equity capital was restructured, involving a share split and a bonus issue of shares. Shares are now in units of 50p.

"The Agricultural Group had an excellent year with improved efficiency and a better demand for animal feed. The Industrial Group had a harder time coping with the drivers' strike in January and the engineers' strike in August.

"But this year has started without the disruption of 1979 and the results in our management accounts are in line with our budget. I am confident about the outcome for the year. "May I extend to all shareholders a warm

welcome to the Annual General Meeting at the Adelphi Hotel in Liverpool on Thursday, 15 May. at 12.00 noon, when I hope to have the pleasure of neeting as many of you as possible."

Copies of the report and accounts may be obtained from The Secretary, J. Bibby & Sons Limited, Richmond House, 1 Rumford Place, Liverpool L3 900.

al conference will ok to the future th confidence

April 21.—Forecasts rld coal production will by 1990 and triple by 2000 will be the focus first meeting of the ional Coal Industry Ad-Board (CIAB) to be Paris this week.

Surpose of the meeting, rsday and Friday under is of the International Agency (IEA), is to a formula for leaders of tred enterprises to disprovements in the protrade and use of coal. ir mandate is to advise tents on practical to remove bottlenecks, rapid world expansion sential energy source ig to Mr Uif Lantzke, cuttive director.

The United States will continue to be the world's largest coal production tinue to be the world's largest coal produce, with its share of supply rising to nearly 50 per cent by the year 2000 from 44 per cent in 1978, the report will be earmarked for export. European coal production will be earmarked for export. European coal prod

cutive director.

tion of the United tion of the United stimated the supply of coal, including net from the Soviet Union, Europe and China, ise by 53 per cent to ivalent of 26 million of oil daily by 1990, million in 1978. By 2000, the total would the equivalent of 4.2

projects metallurgical and to grow at a rate en 2; and 3 per cent up to the end of the Coal demand for elec-ver generation is also expanding, but at lower n in the last few years of increasing inroads lear power and the in electricity growth

e to be achieved.

national movements, particularly to Europe and Japan, and for domestic shipments within the United States.

Net volumes of coal imports from the Soviet Union, Eastern Europe and China are expected.

Europe and China are expected to increase, but will remain at less than 3 per cent of world

less than 3 per cent of world demand.

Mr Lantzke emphasized the need for close cooperation between industry and government.

"While governments provide the framework in which national economies and new energy systems develop, the responsibility for getting the job done rests with industry", he said.

The two-day meeting will try to bring answers to a number of questions, such as the likely "realistic" energy contribution expected from coal to the end of the decade, the major constraints impeding an expanded

straints impeding an expanded role for coal as an energy source, and prospects for future international coal trade, international coal trade, "This new energy policy focus is based on the conclusion that coal production and use allowing coal use in must triple to meet the world's growing energy demand be-

ilers.

greatest constraints on of coal arise from ental problems and the overcoming them?,

Apart from IEA experts, the meeting will be attended by 33 representatives from coal complex. tys, adding that some panies, electric utilities, steel, dation with environconcerns will be rethe projected demand electricity boards.—AP Dow-

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cited Arab Emirates is 19th largest export and second only to rabia in the Middle n 1979, UAE imports ne United Kingdom £488m, up £53m on er the same period, mports from the UAE m £271m to £235m, recause of the drop in

Britain bas negative megative trade with Kuwait In 1978, -egain mainly of oil-£622m, against exports it of £332m, Last year, continued to rise to while exports fell back

rkinson said that the ortunities were offered rea of high-quality conlikely to be demand th services and agriculcontractors in the ave enjoyed a good

markets | Ex-Haw Par chairman in court appeal

Singapore, April 21.—British businessman, Mr Richard Tarling, today began new court proceedings in an attempt to clear his name over his conviction for company law offences. Mr Tarling appeared in the Court of Appeals, one month after he was freed from Changi prison, where he was sent last November by Singapore High Court. Although on bail, he had agreed to serve the sixmonth sentence to speed the month sentence to speed appeal process, and won a two remission for good month behaviour

Speaking to reporters outside innocence and expressed the "firm conviction" that no offences had been committed.
His local lawyer, Mr Howard
Cashin, told the court that the
trial judge had erred in law
and in fact in allowing the case to proceed as the prosecution had not established a prima

facie case.

Mr Tarling was convicted on five counts of breaking Singapore company law when he was the chairman of Haw Par Brothers International, a sub-sidiary of the Slater Walker group.

He was extradited from Britain after a two-year legal battle and his trial in the Singapore High Court lasted 65

The five charges against him were that in the 1972 and 1973 company accounts Haw Par failed to reveal a profit of some \$7m (about £3.16m) which it had made in share trading on the Hongkong stock market during an exceptional share boom in 1972.

The Slater Walker executives

who were running Haw Par devised a scheme to "tuck the massive profits away" in a wholly-owned unit trust, the trial judge had said.

But Mr Cashin today told the court that Mr Tarling, who was in Singapore for only a few days in 1972 and 1973, could not have known all that happened in Haw Par.

The appeal hearing is expected to last five days.—



The City Offices Company Limited

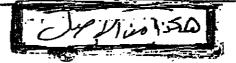
Extracts from the Report and Accounts for the Year 1979

Pre-tax profits have increased for the fourteenth successive year and exceeded £1.39 million. Dividends paid have been increased from 2.84p per share to 3.00p per share.

The freehold of Sperry House, Bristol was acquired and Voyager House, Poole, a freehold office building was also purchased during the

Properties were professionally revalued as at: 30th September, 1979 at £29,968,000 producing an unrealised surplus of £10,396,977.

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Immary of Results	1977	1978	1979			
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ross income	1,353	1,529	1,820			
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A commitment to seek profitable growth worldwide

Extracts from Mr. Daniel Meinertzhagen's Statement.

The Annual General Meeting of Royal Insurance Company Limited will be held in Liverpool on 14th May, 1980.

1979 Results

The total profit before taxation for 1979 fell by £21.5m to £131.5m reflecting a marked downturn in the underwriting result for the year which was a loss of £16.5m compared with a profit of £25.4m in 1978. A contributory factor to the turnround was the abnormally high level of weather losses. We estimate that these exceeded even the relatively heavy weather losses of 1978 by some £15m, the major part of the increase coming from the United States, United Kingdom and Caribbean. Competition has remained strong — indeed in some areas it might

appear irrational - and we have continued to maintain our policy of resistance to excessive rate cutting. Whilst we are fully aware that this policy has led to some restraint on the rate of increase in our premium income in particular areas and classes of business, we nevertheless firmly intend to maintain our position overall as a leading international company by active development of business wherever we see prospects for profitable growth.

In contrast to the underwriting deterioration, which was not peculiar to our company but affected most of the major insurance markets in the world, we secured a satisfactory growth in investment income from £120.7m to £133.0m, an underlying increase of 18.3% after excluding the effect of exchange rate movements. This, together with good increases in the contributions from long term insurance and from associated companies, produced a not unreasonable profit before tax of £131.5m.

Dividend Recommendation

A final dividend of 13.25p per 25p unit of stock is being recommended. making a total for the year of 21.5p representing an increase of 14.5%. As our record shows we are a company which has a progressive dividend policy. Our ability to pursue this policy must, however, be consistent with the need to maintain a sufficient level of capital and free reserves to support a growing business and this means retaining a substantial proportion of our profits in the company. In 1979 the overall result was such that we were able not only to maintain our dividend policy but also to transfer £48.6m to reserves.

Exchange Control

Life Business

and long term savings.

The life fund will be valued annually from

this change we carried out a transitional

of the most up-to-date valuation and declaration of surplus from our increasingly

the continuing practice of successive

The Changing Environment

Governments of allowing policyholders to

receive tax relief on those life assurance

policies that are maintained in force for a

reasonable number of years and which are

designed to provide life assurance protection

the insurance industry as a whole, it has been

an era of tremendous change. On the political

front we have suffered from nationalisation

1980 instead of triennially. To pave the way for

valuation covering two years 1978 and 1979.

The change to an annual basis will give both

important life operation. We strongly support

Whilst the exchange control authorities in the United Kingdom have always been most understanding towards the needs of insurance companies because of the valuable contribution they make to the United Kingdom balance of payments, I welcome the total abolition of the regulations. This has enabled us to repay some of the foreign borrowings which, under those regulations, we made for the purpose of expanding in overseas markets and which, otherwise, we would not necessarily have

made. More importantly perhaps, we shall have a greater degree of flexibility and fewer inhibitions when considering our worldwide planning in future.



	1979 £m	
		£m,
General Insurance Premiums Written	1,225.1	1,220.1
Earnings		
General Insurance Underwriting Result	-16.5	25.4
Investment Income on Stockholders' and		1007
General Insurance Funds	133.0	.120.7
Stockholders Long-term Insurance Profits	7.7	4.4
Share of Associated Companies' Profits	7.3	2.5
Profit before taxation	131.5	200.0
UK and Overseas Taxation	<u>56.8</u>	
Section 11 11 11 14	74.7	88.5
Balance of Stockholders' Long-term Insurance Profits 1975/78	7.2	
Insulance Fibrits 1979/70	81.9	88.5
Minority Interests	0.9	0.3
Net Profit attributable to the Company	81.0	88.2
(per 25p unit of stock)	(53.9p)	
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Appropriations		
Dividends		
Supplementary for previous year	 	0.2
Interim	12.4	10.9
Proposed Final	20.0	17.3
	32.4	28.2
Total :	32.4	28.4
(per 25p unit of stock)	(21.5p)	-
Provision for Employee Share Scheme		0.4
Transfer to Retained Profits	48.6	59.4

world. There has been an increase in governmental involvement from rate-making processes and a growth of regulation of our business. At the same time the boundaries between private and state insurance have shifted, generally in the direction of the latter. An important aspect of social change has been

and faced growing nationalism in some parts of the

the growth of consumerism. This we have learnt to live with but we are disturbed by the general lowering of standards of conduct reflected by increases in crime such as burglary, vandalism and arson. This change in behavioural pattern has, I believe, had a more profound effect on our business than may have been generally recognised.

Furthermore, economic circumstances have meant that we have had to operate in an environment where inflation has at times accelerated rapidly and in the last few years in many parts of the world has reached unprecedentedly high levels.

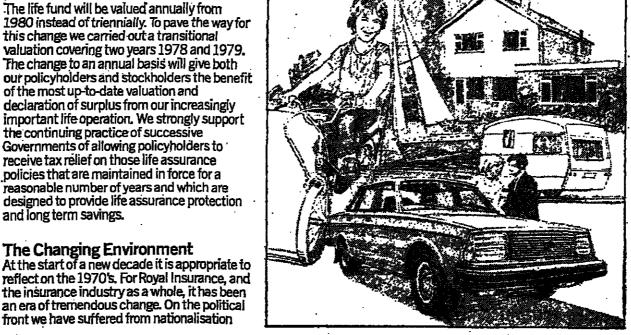
The fact that our Group has been able to respond successfully to these challenges and has emerged well placed to face the future is due in no small part to the firm and dedicated leadership of Mr K M Bevins

who has been our chief general manager for the past ten years. am sure stockholders will join me in wishing him a happy. retirement from this exacting post. I am glad we shall continue to benefit from his advice as a non-executive director.

The outlook for the 1980's would suggest that they will prove to be no less difficult and we are fortunate that in our new chief general manager, MrJJ Howard, and his executive colleagues we have a team which will be more than equal to the challenge.

Staff and Agents

I would also like to take this opportunity on behalf of stockholders and the Board to thank our staff for their readiness to participate fully in the changes which have taken place. It is our objective to run a successful insurance business. The cornerstone of this objective is the knowledge and experience of our management, staff and agents around the world whose dedication and enthusiasm is our most valuable asset.





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war risk premium on the Per-

Shaikh Hamdan Bin Reshid Makunum, United Arab mirates (UAE) finance

minister told Reuters at a

zeremony establishing the com-

puny, that he disagreed with a Lloyd's decision last week to impose a war risk premium on ships loading in the Gulf.

He said the founding mem-bers of the company—Kuwait, the UAE and Libya—would provide 5 per cent of the capi-tal, underwriting \$1,000m each.

The United States labour 45,000 Ford employees at 13 assembly plants may apply for

have lost work because of

Order inflow to the West Serman textile industry was up-

p preliminary 11.4 per cent in February from 1979, according

to the textile industry associa-

Brazil has introduced a tax

make turcign loans more attrac-

Japan's customs clearance

9985,020m (about 5440,000m)

Signor Giorgio La Malfa.

Italian budget minister pre-dicted that the average infla-tion rate will rise to between 20 per cent and 22 per cent in 1980.

A 52,000m polyethelene plant is to be built by Exnon at Jubail in castern Saudi Arabia.

M.A.N. announced in Munich a DM 165m (£39m) contract for 500 double deck buses for Baghdad, frag: a DM 100m (£24m) contract for 210 buses

in Seattle. United States: and a DM 6.5m (£1.5m) contract for 60 buses and 20 chassis for Auckland, New Zealand.

Washington. He said a survey showed a production cost of \$2.14 for a barrel selling at \$10.40.

Oil markup protest

trade deficit widened sharping

in the first 10 days of April from a 539 1.450m deficit in the

Aid for car men

increased imports.

Textile orders up

Prazil tax package

Trade deficit widens

same March period.

Italy's inflation

\$2.000m plant

Buses from MAN

war risk?

sian Gulf.

Researchers find poor economic prospects for synthetic substitutes

example, investing in a gas-

fired heat pump will probably

provide much cheaper space

heating than using substitute natural gas in a gas-fired cen-tral heating boiler.

Dr Clarke said that although

the emphasis would be on heat-

ing systems and not just fuels,

to return us to the present comparatively cheap costs of

meeting our needs for heat".

these systems will not be able

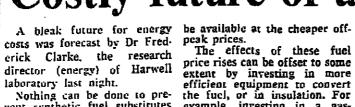
At present, the total cost of

space and water heating for a

typical semi-detached house is

ibout £350 a year in 1979 prices.

Costly future of alternative fuels



vent synthetic fuel substitutes for natural gas and oil from costing much more in real terms than at present, if only because of the higher proces-sing costs, Dr Clarke said in a lecture to the all-party Parliamentary Liaison Group for Alternative Energy Strate-

Substitute natural gas from coal will probably cost about 60p a therm delivered against natural gas at, saw 23p a therm in 1979, according to Dr Clarke. Synthetic liquids will cost much the same to produce.

The alternative of replacing natural gas directly by elec-tricity would cost more than 100p a therm delivered. Limited quantities of electricity will

body aimed

at the young

The Scottish Money Manage-

importance of financial matters

When the National Savings Movement was disbanded throughout the United Kingdom

in 1978, talks began in Scot-land and in England and Wales

to devise some kind of organization which would continue the

educational role which had been

developed by the National Savings Movement.

The Scottish Money Management Association is the outcome. It has the backing of

most of the financial institu-

Associated Scortish Life Offices, the Scottish Clearing Banks, the Scottish members of the Unit

Trust Association, the Scottshi Postal Board, the Scottish Trustee Savings Bank and the Scottish unit of the Stock

All the members have been asked to contribute \$2,000 initially to help to establish the new organization. But what is

needed most Dr D. M. McIntosh,

the secretary, says is "enthus-

A research project into the effect of teaching money

management concepts in prim-

ary schools has already begun.

Nexos in Germany

A Money Management Asso-

keting arrangement with Göran Waerner and Terminal Mart covering Scandinavia, Benelux.

| Switzerland and Austria.

iasm and interest".

Enchange.

Nexos, the National Enter-prise Board's office systems American oil companies were subsidiary, is to set up a Ger-

marking up their oil prices by man offshoot later this year more than 400 per cent, Sena-1 with headquarters in Frankfurt, for Ernest Hollings claimed in This is in addition to the mar-

to young people in Scotland.

A bleak future for energy be available at the cheaper off-according to Harwell calculations inertia on the buose fabrications. Even to achieve these. An optimistic estimate for figures there will have to be greater emphasis on investment in more efficient capital equipefficient equipment to convert the fuel, or in insulation. For In industry, commerce and

institutions the handling and strong disadvantages of coal will probably be less apparent nan for domestic users. Although coal will also be more expensive, the general

assumption is that it is the only option which is anywhere near today's oil and gas costs. Dr Clarke concluded that the incentive for using fuel substitutes should be high. Examining the main renew-

able energy sources, Harwell scientists regard so-called pas-sive heating as the most promising solar energy technology for the United Kingdom. Typi-Even with improved insulation and new heat pumps that cally houses are buildt facing cost is likely to rise to about £500 a year in equivalent prices south, and have large areas of £500 a year in equivalent prices double glazing, high insulation when natural gas runs out, standards and high thermal

An optimistic estimate for house not overshadowed by trees or other buildings is that perhaps 20 per cent of the annual hearing load can be met in this way. Active solar hear-ing, usingsolar panels and pumps would have to be cheaper before it became generally economic.

Dr Clarke said: "Generally, the future lies in a plurality of means of meeting our needs for heat with pernaps several dif-ferent systems being used to-gether in the domestic commercial and institutional sectors."

"The problem will be that investments which are perceived as economically attractive from a national viewpoint may not be economically attrac-tive from an industrial viewpoint where snort pay-back periods are frequently sought."

Patricia Tisdall

Unmarked imports and job losses

Sir. I was interested to read the letter (April 11) from Mr K. G. Williams of the Federation of Clothing Designers and Executives and his plea to educate people to look for that label
"Made in the UK".

He is so right, but there needs to be a label on the goods

in the first place to look for. The problem we are facing in the paper and printing industry is that people are buying im-ported paper, greetings cards and books and do not even know that they are imported.
This is because there is no country of origin printed on these goods and furthermore no legal requirement to do so.

The effect has been-as we have seen with the massive importing of Russian greetings cards over the past year-employees in the industry being made redundant. Over 40 of the members I represent have the members I represent have been made redundant as a direct result of the Russian cards coming into the UK. Multiply that up in the rest of the card manufacturing business in this country, and the other areas of unmarked im-

ports and we have an idea of the damaging effects on jobs and the lives of our people. And yet, the Government is not prepared to do anything about it, because, and I quote

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from a reply to me from the Prime Minister's office on this question: "I do not think it would be right to consider legislative action under the Trade Descriptions Act, 1968, to compel these cards to be marked on the basis of what are primarily trade protection arguments. Such a course would almost certainly run us into difficulty in relation to an international obligation." Trade protection and international obligation.—what about the protection of our jobs and the obligation to the British people? Or do we mo in the printing in-dustry have to wait until irreparable damage has been done by these unmarked imports before the Government acts?

BRENDA DEAN, Secretary, Manchester Branch, Society of Graphical and Altied Trades, Sheridan House,

Great George Street, Salford, M3 6EH.

Labelling origin of goods

Ford cars they drive were made in England or Germany. From Mr J. C. MacChesney Sir, I was very interested to read the letter from Mr K. G. Williams in today's issue of The Times, in which he asks us to check that the garments and other products we buy are made in the United Kingdom. I strongly support this arti-tude, but may I draw attention to the fact that many products and packs are not marked with any indication of origin?

A few examples serve to show that practice varies. ICI paint is marked "Made in Great Britain", but Wool-worth's paint does not carry a declaration of origin. Many Unilever products do not show where they were made, but Colgate-Palmolive seems commendably assiduous in stating that its products are made in England. Presumably, imported cars are labelled somewhere, but I have met people who say they are unsure whether the Surrey, RHS 0JA.

No doubt companies are complying with the Trade Descriptions Act 1972, which set out to remove ambiguity about imported goods which might be taken to be British made. Where there is a risk of confusion, imported goods must be marked to show their origin. There does not appear prices reverse by 5 per cent to be any legal requirement to declare the origin of British deal in sterling hence made goods sold on the home primary objective would be market, and I do not suggest that there should be.

However, it would be helpful—and indeed fundamental to a "Buy British" cam-paign—if British-made goods were marked to tell us so. Yours faithfully. J. C. MACCHESNEY, 67 Hazelwood Road, Hurst Green,

Minerals exploration

Kingslev Dunham

Sir, The correspondence on British mineral resources which followed our letter of January 9 has shown how widely held is the view that our natural metallic mineral resources should be evaluated

and in due course developed.

There is a wide difference of opinion about how this could PETER KENT.
best be fostered, and we all Rodney Road emphasize that our advocacy of West Bridgford. nationalization (we repeat, of Nottingham.
undiscovered reserves) was KINGSLEY DUNHAM,
made with the object of stimCharleycroft, ulating discussion on the best way of breaking the log-jam of Durham. April 9.

Those who oppose this might perhaps formulate alternative procedures. A Bill was indeed prepared after wide depart

prepared after wide departmental consultation with owners and industry which would have facilitated access where ownership was complex or obscure, but without recourse to national ownership.

This Bill, however, failed to win Parliamentary time during the later stages of the first Wilson Government, and was not proceeded with by the not proceeded with by the Heath Government. We have Heath Government. We have no doctrinaire prejudices in favour of nationalization, but we are aware pace Mr Seymour (January 14) and Mr Holland (March 19) that in the hydrocarbon field landowners have been notably lacking in exploration initiative.

Following the 1918-1922 government drilling programmete buke of Devonshire alone followed discovery by further drilling at Hardstoft in Derbyshire—it took the government sponsored nationalization of undiscovered resources in 1934

Postal Giro and bank accounts

From Mr A. Reynolds Sir, Perhaps because the combanking in the United Kingdom, Adrieone Gleeson has instinctively surveyed the commercial banks abroad for her article on foreign accounts (April 5). bank

But in much of Western Europe it would be at least as common for a resident to have an account with the giro system run by their Post Office as with a commercial bank. In France, for example, seven mil-lion people have postal giro accounts whilst in the Nether-lands it is estimated 30 per cent of the population does so. By contrast, the figures for the United Kingdom are around 800,000 and 2 per cent.

I now hold postal giro accounts in five European countries and can restify to their cheapness and conven-

ience. The charges made for cashing cheques at post offices are very modest. The Swiss, Danes and Dutch charge nothing whilst the Norwegians and Swedes just 6p and 14p respectively per cheque. None requires a minimum balance. Denmark and the Netherlands pay a small rate of interest. All provide free payments to giro account-holders within their countries and abroad. Now that British National Giro has introduced a fi fee on such international payments, it could pay British Giro account-holders to open a foreign giro account for this purpose alone.

Yours truly. ALAN REYONLDS, 40 Leyburn Gardens, Croydon CRO 5NL. April 9.

New savings | Wind energy turbine could aid fuel conservation for shipping

A return to wind-power for ship propulsion—not by sails but by windmill-type systems, augmented by a standby power unit—appears to be feasible on certain routes, according to a recent study completed for the Ship and Marine Technology Requirements Board of the Department of Industry.

The study was carried our by the National Marine Institute.

Wolfson Marine Craft Unit at Southampton University, Reading University, Reading University, and the shipping sive consultancy and design service for all microelectronic and microprocessor applications for a number of different industries.

Timekeeping by The engineering group already provides industry with a range of design and consultancy services in all the major enment Association, the natural successor to the defunct National Savings Committee for Scotland, officially came into being yesterday. Its aim is to strengthen the awareness and

The study was carried out by Atkins Research and Develop-ment, the Epsome-based consultants, with the Medina Yacht Company of Cowes and others. It investigated the use of a modern, vertical-axis wind turbine mounted on the deck of a ship which could convert wind energy into both mechanical power and direct thrust. according to windn conditions.

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This sort of turbine which would enable a vessel to head directly into wind, although slowly, was proposed by Air Commodore C. T. Nance of the Medina Yacht Company. A conventional standby power

unit would be required so the ship could maintain reasonable voyage times in calm weather. An economic comparison was completed for the St Helena Shipping Company, based upon the route now run by the 4,000-tonne vessel St Helena between the United Kingdom, Ascention Island, St Helena and Cape

Town. This showed that, for a wind-turbine ship of compar-able size, an average of 12 ciation for England and Wales is planned, but it is taking longer to get off the ground. knots could be achieved and a saving of 40 tonnes of fuel made over the two-month voyage.

By trading-off these fuel savings against the extra cost

of runnning the turbine, the report concluded that the concept was economically viable on winder routes. However, much more work would be needed to obtain practical experience of

operation and control.

Working with the Atkins team on the project were staff from the yacht company, the

temperature

The American-based Bulova watch company has perfected a miniature cell capable of generating electricity caused by differences in temperature.

The device developed at the company's Bienne ulant in Switzerland, is the result of three years research and development by the watch manufacturers and although the unit could have many applications it will be used at first to power quartz watches.

The cell is called a thermoelectric generator and is able to barness the temperature of the body to provide between 8 and 12 microwatts which is at least a factor of three times the power necessary to drive a watch.

The design has completed its initial test trials successfully in larger men's watches. No experiments have yet been conducted in smaller women's watches although Buloya is confident that such developments will take piace in the near

The company is convinced the discovery will give it an edge in a competitive market for which Bulova already manufacturers about 3.5 million watches annually to and gives US to hold a turnover of \$210m.

Microprocessor servicing

Giltspur has announced an initial investment of £150,000 to establish a new business within its engineering company. Giltspur Engineering Design, to compete in the service area of the microprocessor market.
The ne wgroup, Giltspur Microprocessor Systems, will be

gineering disciplines—a source of expertise which will be avail-able to the new microprocessor

group.

The new business group will provide a complete range of services catering for every type of microprocessor user and the services will be divided into four main categories—tailormade training courses, feasi-bility studies, the design of microprocessors into existing products and the manufacture and installation of the necessary microelectronic or microprocessor equipment.
According to the company, its

aim is to provide British indus-try with assistance in tackling the "technological callenges of

the 30s".

Although Britain still shows a marked rejuctance to use microprocessor techniques it is the marker which will be tapped by the new systems aroup. The group has budgeted for a turnover of £250,000 by the end of its first financial year on March 31, 1981.

> Kenneth Owen and Bill Johnstone

wide inquiry into steel price protest Washington, April 12.-The

United States International Trade Commission (ITC) seems prepared to cast a wide net in its efforts to determine it steel imports have injured the domestic steel industry.

While the commerce department studies US Steel Corporation's allegations that steel-makers in seven European nations sold steel product here at unfairly low prices, the ITC must decrinine if and to what extent these sales injured the domestic steel industry. Under the trade law, a pre-

liminary ruling from the com-mission is due on May 5, 45 days after US Cteel filed its complaints against steel pro-ducers in Belgian, West Germany, Luxembourg, France, Italy, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom. Mr Charles Ervin, the com-

mission's operations director, indicated during two days of preliminary hearings last week that he was prepared to consider several factors which could tilt the case against US

One major factor is last week's labour agreement be-tween the nation's nine largest steel companies and the United Steelworkers Union. The new three-year contract offers wage increases of 30 per cent to 37 per cent, depending on the inflation rate, and will keep the steelworkers among the highest-paid industrial workers in the steelworkers are steelworkers. paid industrial workers in the United States.

Mr Ervin. in a pointed question to US Steel lawyers, asked if that kind of wage rate was indicative of an injured industry and asked if the industry could control its labour costs. A second factor that could go against US Steel is the impact during the last two years of the Government's years of the Government's trigger price mechanism, which established a minimum price for imported steel, based on

Japanese steelmaking costs. Also weighing against US Steel is the Commission's decision to investigate possible injury only during the past three years, which will show an industry on the mend from the last recession, culminating in sizable profit improvements for several big domestic producers. Crucial to the outcome of US Steel's complaint is whether the Commission will steel sold by the seven European countries. US Steel argues that the European Com-

in its steel export policies and should be considered as a bloc. Steel productions up : March crude steel production in the 29 member countries of the International Iron and Steel Institute totalled 41,127,000 metric tons, up 7.1 per cent from 38.405,000 metric

tons in February.-AP-Dow

munity acts as a single entity

From Sir Peter Kent and Sir to trigger the widespread drilling on land, which has since followed

The important consideration is that metallic mineral explor-ation should be facilitated, and that we should deliberately explore for new reserves which may be only a few tens of feet Yours faithfully, 38 Rodney Road,

West Bridgford, Quarryheads Lane.

Stabilizing Third Work goods prices

From Mr Larry Trimby Such is the idea behindly belging the Third World pay its way found in providi a steady market for the goc produced by the poorer, dev oping nations, rather than sending more aid?

Such is the idea behi the system outlined by L. Clare Grondona in his bo Economic Stability is Atta able (Hutchinson, Benha 1975) which received power support from Sir Roy Harr when adviser to the Int national Monetary Fund.

The system envisages formation of a United Kingd. price stabilization corporat to stand ready to huy or a commodities as offered to it demanded of it. On no account would it intervene in the m ker; hence its difference operation from that of buffer stock.

An initial reference An initial reference pris given to a commodity bar on the previous five-yes average; the corporation of stands ready to buy at 10; cent below reference prand, when it holds stocks, sell at 10 per cent above. The floor to the market created close to the low po and, when stock is held, a cing close to the high point

Each commodity is given block volume roughly equitent to the United Kingdor imports of that commodity one month. As each block accumulated so the buying a selling prices are automatics reduced by 5 per cent; as a number of blocks reduce prices reverse by 5 per cent.

The corporation would of deal in sterling hence of primary objective would be stabilize sterling and prices industrial users in the Unit Kingdom. If this object could be attained, then would go some way towar bringing economic stability producers, which, in tu would encourage overseas The benefits of this syst.

to the developing countr have been well put by Prof sor Lord Kaldor: "Mr Gre dona's proposal would create powerful automatic stabilistor adjusting the growth demand to the growth of supplies of primary product through its repercussions the effective demand for individual to the least the lea trial goods . . in the long run it is the supply of ba materials which would set t limit to the rate of growth world industrial production a not, as now, the rate of grov of effective demand, emagan from the advanced countri which governed the trend r of growth of investment a production of primary or modities." Yours faithfully.

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it is now a large and growing net contributor to the Exchequer. BNOC now employs over 1,400 people – 85% of them in Scotland. The growing scale of its activities – production from the Thistle field, construction of Beatrice, including a shore terminal at Nigg Bay, investment as partner in 7 other fields, and increasing exploration and appraisal - ensures continuing challenge and opportunity in Britain's

national oil company. Copies of the Corporation's Annual Report and Accounts are available from: The Secretary, The British National Oil Corporation, 150 St. Vincent Street, Glasgow G2 5LJ.



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BY THE FINANCIAL EDITOR

Institutional cash and the equity market

ck market had some difficulty ves-ligesting the £16m to £20m worth of rom the liquidation of City & Inter-Trust whose takeover was approved day by Guthrie shareholders. Taking ount the selling and the buying the resented about half the turnover of equity market and was enough to

alone showe how difficult it would ise fresh money for the funding of d pressed corporate sector at the

are the or United Biscuits, which was placed me difficulty, and Rugby Portland which had to pay well over the odds privilege of bolstering its equity

itions are flush with cash but with eze on companies on the one hand attractions of money markets on the nost of them are still loath to commselves to ordinary shares and are wait and see attitude.

year institutions took in some in cash of which some £5,700m ed in gilts; £2,100m in shares and 1,000m each in property and overis year an institutional cash flow is) be at least £11,500m while the set to fall.

on forces working capital requirep while the strong pound inhibits and promotes competition from imnder these circumstances companies gh working capital requirements engineering motors and textile

e under pressure. me of them the situation is likely ne as dramatic as that prevailing in 4. For the corporate sector as a se net borrowing requirement is almost treble from £2,200m in 1978 6,000m last year. Bank credits will, e, provide some of the money but nger run institutions will be looked ing up the capital base. The ques-

ill they do it? of institutional money comes from funds and insurance companies t trusts getting less when the marak and investment trusts contributlittle. While the major institutions their liabilities in sterling nothing w most of them from dabbling in markets. Many might indeed be to do so instead of propping up y may consider bad risks in the ingdom.

one reason why the flow of funds rse yield gap arguments in favour es might not be as strong as they be. To some extent we are in unvaters. In the past a reverse yield round 7 per cent and going up to 71 per cent with end year dividend would be a sign of the market o bottom out and, the 1974 experirt, a 7 per cent yield on equities a promising start for recovery. ne can say for sure now and the I that any recovery in shares will down by large scale rights issues juities relatively unattractive.

ing the

's decision to pass the final is brave. Not all shareholders will ith the board's opinion that it is in interests of both shareholders and. trany and judging by the fall in the ice—down 7p to 28p the share later d to 32p-some have cleared off

Pex has certainly had problems. The ndustr yis a major customer, the products division lost heavily and closed or sold, and interest charges rose by over four-fifths to £966,000. profits were only a fifth lower at

- the line the picture is worse. After erseas tax charge, hefty minorities, losure costs and write-offs and the the interim dividend, Revertex has withdraw £926,000 from reserves. - cost accounting would probably have d this by about £1m.

in that light, there is some justificapassing the final dividend, which

ranks of William Heine

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ith may now be added to of Dr Bill Reader.

er, who would probably first to admit that his

s not one which daily s the lips of London's can thank Unilever for than bonour.

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cost £323,000 in 1978, not to mention unrelieved ACT where the group has a

However, the balance sheet is in reasonable shape despite the losses. Net borrowings only rose by just over £1m, leaving gearing unchanged at 42 per cent. Cash flow should match outgoings in 1980 and the group expects profits to recover to 1978's £2.5m. The board will only say of the dividend

cut that it "does not envisage the continu-



Sir Campbell Adamson, chairman of Revertex

ation of such a policy". Presumably this

means some restoration in 1980. There is an obvious case for not paying dividends our of capital. But equally, if a company cannot produce the goods, why not do so and let shareholders re-invest the proceeds elsewhere? Revertex will have to Kimitsu, Japan justify this dividend cut with future per-

Grand Metropolitan

Financing Liggett

Grand Metropolitan still has some legal hurdles to jump yet after yesterday's events in the Deleware Court before it can get on with the serious business of its \$415m tender offer for the United States Liggett Group.

This has already started to arouse some worries about the impact on the group's gearing, particularly as the acquisition coincides with a period when internal cashgeneration is coming under pressure from a quiet outlook for profits, notably on the

Since the conversion of the outstanding £124m loan stock two years ago and last year's £78m rights issue, Grand Met's financial gearing has been transformed. Three years ago borrowings as a proportion of shareholders' funds had risen to more than 150 per cent, leaving it uncomfortably exposed to the vagaries of interest rates.

At the last balance sheet date this had fallen to 43 per cent, and interest charges to trading profits had dropped from a high of 60 per cent in 1975 to 23 per cent. Even that understates the true picture since around balf Grand Met's £1,230m capital employed is represented by high GRISTILA property assets, some £380m of which were last revalued at 1975 or before.

Grand Met is financing Liggett mainly through the \$350m Euromarket facility it has arranged through Barclays and NatWest, which will increase net borrowings from just over £300m to £550m including Liggett's debt raising gearing, assuming some \$150m of goodwill in the price, to the 65-70 per cent region.

This may well be reduced substantially if Grand Met sells off, as seems likely, part of the Liggett interests, but it still represents a reversal of the trends in the balance sheet which have helped make the group an institutional favourite over the past couple of years. Interest costs are already starting to work in Grand Met's favour.

But assuming 20 per cent interest on the Euromarket borrowing financing costs would only just be covered by Liggett's profits last year of \$87½m. The group's property assets can sustain a higher level of debt these days but the financial benefits of the acquisition will need to be more clearly spelt out to convince shareholders that Grand Met is not paying too high a price to protect its whisky franchise, which seems the main object of the exercise.

Business Diary: Unilever's best seller • Steel spies

Hugh Stephenson

Real meaning of the Biffen 'heresy'

Mr John Biffen, Chief Secretary to the Treasury, is an unusual politician. He is associated with firm and unortho-dox views. In this mood he is further unusual in being prepared to follow through the logic of his arguments in public, even when this leads him to conclude, for example, that unemployment is bound to rise substantially or that the country faces three years of unparalleled austerity.

He has had experience of speaking his mind in public on prickly issues only to find that he was contradicted in public by the Prime Minister.

Which brings us to the now notorious speech over the weekend in Edinburch. It was initially represented by some reporters as a challenge to the views of the Prime Minister, Sir Keith Joseph, Mr Enoch Powell and Lord Harris of the Institute of Economic Affairs.

Indeed, when a Cabinet minister who

part of the Prime Minister's inner circle of economic policy confidents says that "there is no mechanistic and succinctly demonstrable link between movement in money supply and a subsequent change in inflation", it is not surprising that those in search of a story think that they have found one. The conclusion is the more forgivable when the same Chiel Secretary goes on

to say that there may be a two-year time lag between changes in the rate of growth of money supply and the rate of change of prices, but that "I suspect the time lag varies on account of the level of international trade, the rate of business activity and the many social traditions that affect individual and corporate behaviour".

It is unlikely, however, that Mr Biffen would have been making such a direct attack on the reigning theory

a direct attack on the reigning theory as has been suggested.

The Government having taken huge political risks during 1979 in order to get the rate of growth of the money stock within prescribed limits, by raising minimum lending rate to 14 per cent in June and 17 per cent in November, it would indeed be extraordinaty if Mr Biffen were calling into question the whole purpose of the exercise just at the moment when it looked as if it was producing the looked as if it was producing the required results.

It is much more likely that he was rrying to make a much more important point for the benefit of the Prime Minister and some of those about her.
Mr Biffen rightly senses that Mrs Mr Biffen rightly senses that Mrs Thatcher believes that prices will automatically follow the rate of growth of money supply, with admittedly a variable time lag, but one which for all that will be about 18 months to two years. He is concerned that when 1980 turns to 1981 and there is no proper sign that the level of infla-tion is coming down to the low teens in percentage terms, the politician in Mrs Thatcher will grow impatient for results. His message from Edinburgh was that control of the money supply a necessary, but not a sufficient, condition for getting inflation under control.

The fact that there have been voices about telling the Prime Minister, that it was not only a sufficient condition, but implying that it was also relatively less painful than other possible ways etting the same result, needs in Mr of getting the same result, need; Biffen's view to be countered.

that in 1981 the money supply baby could get thrown out with the bath water. For unlike some others, Mr Biffen is fully aware of the likely consequences of what he wants and he is prepared to face them. He is right to doubt whether a government comto doubt whether a government comwith output falling, unemployment rising and inflation showing little sign of giving would maintain his intellectual and political consistency in the crisis.

The central question for the rest of this year for the British economy is whether by 1981 the conditions have been created for a steady and rapid fall in the rate of inflation without the kind of prolonged domestic recessions. sion that destabalizes society and causes the disintegration of govern-ments. The monetary and fiscal framework within which the conditions will be established have now effectively been set by the March Budget. The Government's fiscal posture is if anything rather more deflationary than most people immediately saw at the

The eventual outcome is now only partly in even the theoretical control of the Chancellor. If the world level of prices, particularly oil and other commodity prices rises again substantially over the next twelves months, nothing that can practically be done on the domestic front will prevent the retail price index continuing at un-acceptably high levels. If the recession in the United States comes through in 1980 with anything like the intensity that is now daily looking more likely, it is equally inconceivable that the

British economy can get through to a better price performance without its

Even with a recession, the Govern-ment will still have to be much clearer about its attitude to pay sertlements in the public sector than it has been in this round. The evidence of what has been happening is even less clear than usual, which allows policy makers than usual, which allows policy makers than usual. to say for the time being that they are not sure that things are as bad as the commentators are making out.

It would be very surprising if average settlements for this year in the

private sector turns out to be less than 3 per cent higher than last year. In the public sector as a whole they are clearly substantially higher still. They are highest of all in the area of central government e mployment, where administration seems to have drifted helplessly through 1979. The notion that the announcement of ...

cast a shadow of "rational expecta-tions" before the event, causing the whole economy to kick the habit of inflation, was beguiling, but has not stood the test of practical experience. strict monetary targets would somehow Since the Government is directly

and indirectly itself such a dominant employer, the idea that it can stand back and allow free collective bargaining to settle wage levels does not correspond to the real world. If it is to avoid being driven into a lurch back to a formal incomes policy in 1981, it will have to think out a policy for public sector pay at least for the next pay round that is something more than shuffling off responsibility to the Clegg Commission and to Pay Research

The Kimitsu works of Nippon Steel Corporation, the world's largest steel making company, is the sort of carefully planned, highly automated coastal steel plant which fired the imagination of British Steel Corporation strategists in the late 1960s.

inniston, the former chairman, have become a night-mare to his successor, Sir Charles Villiers. At Kimitsu and at Japan's other major steelmaking centres, the vision

has become a reality.

Japanese steel production in
1979 rose by nearly 10 per cent
compared with the previous year to 111.7 million tonnes still far short of the peak levels earlier in the seventies) the signs are that the steel companies have more than successfully readjusted to an era of lower than expected growth and high energy costs. At Kimitsu and elsewhere the drive towards even greater efficiency is unrelenting.

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total labour force of 16,500.

That performance is some

thing which the British Steel Corporation and the steel in-dustry unions should reflect up-on as the talks on the BSC's re-trenchment programme gather momentum. This in-volves a cut in capacity to 15 re-trenchment

mon feature of Japanese industry), output per man last
year from the Kimitsu plant
was 442.42 tonnes.

The BSC has never produced
comparisons of productivity
with Japan and its officials
stress that methods of compiling productivity figures in individual countries may be totally
different But during the steel

tivity-which is mirrored else-where in Japanese steel plants —is a huge blast furnace with the capacity to produce 12,000 tonnes of iron a day. It is one of the four largest in the world and during this mouth molten iron has been bubbling out of the furnace at a daily rate of 11,616 tonnes. A computer and

a team of fifteen men per shift supervise its operation. Four and a half years ago, the BSC sent a high level management-union delegation to Kimitsu. The report on their tour has remained under wraps, but in the course of its comments on Kimitsu it observed: The furnace must make any visitor from the United Kingdom pause and reflect on the competitive challenge it pre-sents to the British steel indusand British steelworkers'

Effective

What is the secret of Kimitsu's success? After all the Japanese are not superhuman. They may not be sipermen, but they are effective. Thorough planning, huge investment and a high level of automation and computer control (the industry uses nearly 900 business and process computers) have been among the more important

And underlying the business skills are the close relationships between industry and govern ment and in particular the allpervasive hand of the influentrial Ministry of International Trade and Industry, together with a compliant labour force committed to their jobs, their company and the country's economic prosperity.

The willingness of the indus-

try's workers to commit them-selves to continued improvement, together with manage-ment's objective of maximizing profit and performance through the deployment of the most effective means of production are a formidable combination. Increased competition from

South Korea and Taiwan, with their lower labour costs, is forcing Kimitsu and the other Japanese steel-makers to respond by upgrading the yield of finished steel they derive from the liquid steel output of every works, to improve the quality of every tonne of steel they produce and to reduce its overall cost.

Mr Koichi Tagiri, general

Steel: how 'jishu kanri' helps Japan within steel vields are being increased.

The visions of Sir Monty

It has not all been plain sailing. The quadrupling of oil prices and the drop in world steel demand have both been felt in Japan. Kimitsu is still operating at only about 70 per cent of its capacity of 10 million tonnes a year. Plans for a further expansion to about 15 million tonnes were shelved

But, significantly, the works last year produced 7:3 million tonnes of crude steel with a

million tonnes and a reduction of 50,000 in the labour force. With its 16,500 labour force

of direct and indirect em-ployees (those employed by sub-contractors who are a com-mon feature of Japanese in-

different. But during the steel dispute the BSC said that in comparison with France and Germany output per man in Critical to Kimitsu's produc- manager in charge of steel have no natural resources of oil and coal in Japan. Our most important resource is our people. Increasingly better educated people who work in this industry have a pride in working for it because it is so important to the rest of Japanese manufacturing industry

This sort of pride, dedication and commitment shows itself in a variety of ways, but two are specially noteworthy. First, there has been continued growth of Jishu Kauri, liverally and the state of the s "voluntary self management activity" and, secondly, there has been sustained investment in new processes, especially in continuous casting of steel. Jishu Kanri has blossomed in the steel companies to a point

where there are now almost 32,000 "JK" circles and groups scattered throughout the in-dustry. Kimitsu alone has 900 such groups, which produce thousands of ideas and suggest-ions (many of them based on discussions carried on outside working time) covering safety, cost reduction and improved

competitors. Japanese steel companies it is regarded as extremely impor-tant. In 1978 Nippon Steel estimated that throughout its operations "JK" activities operations "JN" activities directly contributed to cost savings of \$5 a tonne of steel

That alone is significant; but o, too, is the single-minded way which Nippon Steel and other producers have seized on the cost savings to be gained from the use of continuous casting of steel, perhaps the most important single advance in steel making technology over the past decade.

Higher yields

The process allows iron from a blest furnace to be trans-ferred from the furnace to a basic oxygen furnace for conversion to steel. From the converter the steel can be poured out in slab form for rerolling as coil or plate, eliminating the need for the steel to be set first as ingots and then expensively re-heated before being processed into finished steel. The "JK" phenomenon is By means of continuous cast-often overlooked by Japan's ing and other measures finished

At Kimitsu, which now has twoslab casters in operation, finished steel production last, year totalled 6.3 million tonnes. The second machine, commissioned last month, is producing at a rate of 70,000 tonues a month and by August will be operating at a rate of 210,000 tonnes.

Mr Tagiri and his management colleagues have drawn up plans to install a third conplans to install a limitsu, tinous casting unit at Kimitsu, operational in which, when operational in 1983, will lift the proportion of continuously cast steel at the works to about 90 per cent.

Across the rest of the Japanese steel industry the switch to continuous casting has been extensive and now accounts for about 53 per cent of production. By the end of this year it is expected to risc to about 60 per cent, a level which forecasts made three years ago suggested might not be reached until 1990. This is about three times higher than the figures for the United Kingdom and the United States steel industries.

Peter Hill



The Randfontein Estates S Gold Mining Company, Witwatersrand, Limited

(Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa)

A Member of the Johannesburg Consolidated Investment Group of Companies

Extracts from the 1979 Chairman's Statement

* Operating profit increased from R73.684,000 to R100.156,000 as a result of inreased production of both gold and uranium and the higher average gold price received of U.S. \$304 per ounce as compared with U.S. \$200 per ounce in 1978, despite a significant increase in costs and the planned reduction in grade. * Dividends increased from 450 cents per share to 600 cents per share absorbing

* Uranium production increased from 117 tons to 417 tons. Throughput in the Cooke uranium plant now matches that of the gold plant and the emphasis is on improving recovery efficiencies. Production is likely to reach an annual rate of about 700 tons later in the year.

* As announced in the press on 3rd November, 1979, the grade and tonnage estimates in respect of the in-situ reserves remaining in the Randfontein Section were considered to be overstated in the light of current sampling. No complete explanation has as yet been provided but the investigations have highlighted many factors as contributing causes. However, the company's technical advisers report that the Section has a life of at least four years. It is anticipated that any shortfall in uranium production will in due course be met by production from the Cooke No. 3 shaft area.

* A decision has been made to proceed with the sinking and development of the Cooke No. 3 shaft and to expand treatment facilities at the Cooke Plant by 150,000 tons per month. Underground production is planned to commence in 1985 and the total estimated cost is some R200 million in 1980 terms.

* Capital expenditure is likely to total R46 million in 1980. This expenditure includes some of the costs associated with starting the Cooke No. 3 shaft and the cost of a ventilation shaft necessary to provide improved working conditions in the Cooke No. 1 and 2 shaft working areas.

B. A. Smith Chairman

aranteed the industrial n a sales figure of at 6,000 for his book Fifty of Unilever by agreeing Hollowood a copy of the publica-every one of its emin the United Kingdom

"The union is prepared to go to arbitration provided rked contrast the actual of copies being printed public will be between and 2,000, each costing that Clegg and a few teachers are the arbiters.' Caribbean banking is an expression which tends to conjure up images of Robert Vesco, IOS and the routing of s is not vanity publish-Beinemann said firmly I spoke to them about d. It is the sort of book money acquired in suspicious circumstances to undermine tax ald put in our own lists and exchange control regula-

J. Adams. Prime Minister of J. Adams. Prime Minister of Barbados and the island's Finance Minister, is out to change that. He is on record as much the agreement has nilever is not being re-though the cheaper ack version commis-by the company is no saying that the country's banking aspirations will not be based on "gimmickry" nor would be allow the island's banking to be used to "launder d effort.
David Orr. Unilever's an has been greatly in of the book to mark the by's jubilee. The com-

ill-gotten gams"-Yesterday he was leading a delegation to London extolling the virtues of the island as an

her five decades.

ler, whose sales put him
per with a fiction best
ought to know his stuff. ment, most City people yesterday, however, still seemed to be looking on Barbados as a winter holiday haven

Sir Campbell Adamson is obviously a man who learns from his past. He was the director-general of the CBI who made some caustic remarks about the Heath Government and the Industrial Relations Act during the miners' putsch of 1974 which some blame for the downfall of the Tories.

But yesterday he was less than forthcoming about Mrs Thatcher's attempts to house-train the masses. "I cannot comment on that", he said, in response to Business Diary's questions on the Employment Bill. "You really cannot expect me to.

Sir Campbell is obviously mindful of the fact that there offshore banking centre promises to be what is known incentives, including a favourable witholding tax arrange.

The virtues or the island as an mindful of the fact that there promises to be what is known in the business as "a major backbench revolt" this weak by Tories who feel that the Bill. does less than justice to the promises of forthright action contained in the election

Now chairman of the chemicals group Revertex, which an-nounced results yesterday, he did make one remark which is likely to be noted by those within the Conservative camp who see it as their duty to track down "wess". He con-fessed to "a great admiration for Jim Prior". Surprise, surcaptivity", a saggar maker's bottom knocker. This specialist

● While the case involving confidential British Steel documents used in a Granada television documentary continues in
the High Court, one of the
country's largest stockholders is
lamenting the loss of "steel
papers" of its own.
GKN Steelstock, whose sales
last year totalled about £200m,
says it has been the victim of
industrial espionage. A com-

industrial espionage. A com-puter print-our of a customer hist allegedly disappeared The act has been taken sufficiently seriously for the company to issue a warning of the wartime "careless talk costs orders" variety, to its

"Everyone has a responsi-bility to be vigilant at all times, to keep secure valuable infor-mation, preferably under lock and key. Everyone has an equal responsibility not to talk carelessly in public places—pubs, restaurants, trains, aircraft", says GKN's staff paper. GKN adds that people who

destroy its efforts—and thereby threaten jobs—by stealing information deserve the most severe our ishment. The company was keeping mum when Business Diary approached it on the sub-All the spokespersons would

say was that there would be no

prosecution as a result of the

Lt is a week of unusual celebrutions at the Gladstone Pottery Museum in Stoke on Trent. To mark its firth anniversary Francis Ceioria, the director is letting anyone with the surname Potter or Crocker in free to the various specialist exhibitions he is staging.

He is also putning on show, in what he describes as "amiable

base of saggars, ceramic boxes in which pottery was placed before firing in a kiln. Celoria says that the knocker's "mysterious skills have inexplicably caught the imagination of thousands" since one defeated the panel in the FRC's talemising games the BBC's television game.
What's My Line? many years

craftsman used to make the

ago.

Knockers are a dwindling breed and Celoria counts himself fortunate to have persuaded one to come out of retirement just for this week.

Hours after it was announced that Sony UK had won The Queen's Award for Export Achievement, Tokyo's largest chunk of Welsh industry was hosting the launch of a new product at Regine's the Knightsbridge club. Despite being admitted so soon to such high circles, the company chose to introduce its latest cascore to introduce its latest cassette player by attaching them to the scantily clad bodies of a "dancing group" called Hot Gossip, who then proceeded to writhe around in a way which can only be described as highly suggestive. The recorders are made in Japan. Windsor, I fear, will have to be informed.

David Hewson

	SUMMARY OF OPER	ATIONS	
	•	Year ended	31 December
AT-4 C1 1		1979	1978
Mer bront i	rom gold and silver — R000's	88,245	70,156
Mer brour i	rom uranium,,	14,932	2,662
Capital Ex	enditure	22,727	58,405
Tax and St	ate's share of profits —	7,182	40,100,
GOLD	-	٠,	_ _
Tons milled	. —000's	3,921	7 050
Recovery	kilograms	23,486	1,850
•	—grams per ton		21,106
Average pr	ice received — per kilogram	6.0	11.4
	- Per ounce	R8,160 U.S. \$304	R5,604
Revenue	— per ton milled	D40 44	U.S. \$200
	— per ounce	R49.11	R64.16
Costs	— per ton milled	U.S. \$305	U.S. \$201
00000	— per conce	R27.88	R26.44
Profit	— per ounce — per ton milled	U.S. \$178	U.S. \$82
T 1045A		R21.23	R37.92
	per ounce	U.S. \$132	U.S. \$119
URANIUM			
Tons treate	d.— 000's	3,326	1 000
Recovery .	—tons oxide	417	1,366
-	— kilograms per ton		117
	al meeting of the company wi	0.125	0.086

Consolidated Building, corner of Fox and Harrison Streets, Johannesburg, on Monday, 28 April 1980 at 11.15 a.m.

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42p. Favourable results

market was not so leased with

the profits setback at Revertex

with the price slipping 6p to

Wade Potteries fell 2 to 49p

while Wadkin closed unchanged

at 80p along with London

United Investment at 156p.

News of improved profits after hours enabled NDW Holdings

Renewed speculation that

Lonrho was set to make another

eventually but are undecided as to by whom and when.

Grattans again came in for speculative demand, rising 2p to 84p and GUS "A" rose 5p to 398p.

Electricals remained fairly

quiet and easier for choice al-though the jockeying for tele-vision franchises directed atten-

tion towards some of the TV

companies. Grampian firmed

2p to 305p and LWT perked up 6p at 115p. But HTV closed unchanged at 58p.

Banks came in for a little

support with prices slightly

support with prices slightly higher throughout the list. Barclays hardened 3p to 418p and National Westminster rose 1p to 331p. Midland was unchanged at 340p and Lloyds eased 2p to 298p as the bank messengers' strike continued.

A lower gold bullion price

down \$15 to \$497.50 an ounce

did little for mining shares

which had a mostly mixed

appearance at the close. Vaal Reefs ended 5! higher at £23% along with West Driefontein,

along with West Drietontein, £15/16 up at £29 11/16. Anglo American Gold finished £4 off at £33½ and St Helena drifted up £3 to £14. At the cheaper end of the market results left Messina unchanged at 195p

with Middle Wits 5p lower at

360p as press comment helped Cons Gold 4p to 475p in mining

Equity turnover on April 18

was £80.340m (11.554 bargains).

Active stocks, according to the Exchange Telegraph, were Ultramar, Shell, Tricentrol. IC

finacials.

1.17(3.44)

to improve 1p to 52p.

FINANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

Stock markets

Confidence pushes gilts higher on exhaustion of Exchequer tap

began on a fairly subdued note so distant future. yesterday with prices drifting between narrow levels.

In longs, prices lively start, rising

Gilts again turned in a reasonably strong performance helped by the exhaustion of the tap Exchequer 3 per cent 1983. But the lead that the rest of the market expected gilts to provide failed to materialize, leaving equities to mark time. Oils, however, came in for

more inquiry from both home and overseas, by speculation among the second liners and reports among the majors that Iran might attempt to sell its oil to Eastern European

Weekend press comment had led to a fairly firm start to trading with the FT index showing a rise of 1.0 at 10 am, aided by the decision to return to work at BL.

But news that the City and International Trust had gone into liquidation following approval for a takeover from Guthrie shareholders last week soon poured cold water on things. Reports that brokers had disposed of shares in City and International valued at between £16m and £20m, which accounted for about half of the market's total turnover, un-nerved the rest of the market.

So after managing to keep its head above water for most of the session the index closed 1.6 off at 441.1 after profit taking on small amounts of nervous selling.

Gilts enjoyed another active day with some confident buying pushing prices higher across the board. A further reduction in United States prime rates late on Friday was another contributing factor with some observers pointing to a downward movement in United King-

Clement Clarke (F) 11,2(9.5)

Executex Clothes (F) 1.6(1.2)

Land Investors (1) -(-)

MDW Hidgs (F)

Revertex (F)

Electrical & In Sc (F) 23.2(21.4)

London Utd Invst (F) 14.29(18.75)

33.2(28.7)

In longs, prices got off to a lively start, rising £! to £%, although profit taking clipped back some of the gains at the close so that prices on overage showed only £? overall.

Dealers were pleasantly surprised by the market's performance having expected a bout of indigestion after last week's sellour of Treasury 13! per cent 2004/08 which again improved in partly paid form by £, to £207.

At the shorter end trading was somewhat quieter even though the tap Exchequer 3 per cent 1984 was soon exhausted. with prices being extended by about E, to E, overall. Jobbers no wexpect a fair amount of leeway before the Government broker announces another new

Leading industrials were left rather neglected after the news about London & International Trust, although prices were mainly firmer where changed. The exception proved to be Beechams, which slipped 1p to 119p. ICI at 372p, Unilever at 428p, Dunlop at 56p and Pilkington at 211p remained firm. Rises of 2p were noted in Glaxo at 121p, Fisons at 282p and GKN at 273p. Courtaulds was 1p up at 68p.

In oils the majors were all easier a sa result of fears over Serck recovered 4p to 51p Iran. However, jobbers reported after Rockwell International's that the falls were not serious and mainly the result of cautious marking down. Iran now accounts for very little of Britain's oil imports and the market was remaining fairly optimistic. In the event, Shell eased 4p to 348p and BP was 6p lower at 336p.

Ultramar continued to reap the benefits of the chairman's to 88p.

The final week of the account dom interest rates in the not recent bullish statement, climbing 18p to 608p, while specula-tive demand again lifted Lasmo to 42p. Favourable results 18p to 526p. Among the second liners Irish sellers clipped 14p from Aran Energy at 325p while Viking Oil eased 50p after hours to 1011p.

Others to close off the top included Clyde Petroleum, 2p off at 398p, and Celtic Basin, also down 2p to 190p.

The long-awaited terms from Lamont pushed shares of tex-tile group McLeery L'Amie 8p higher to 19p while late speculative support boosted

Speculators are betting that Blue Circle's £30m bid for Armitage Shanks will get Monopolies clearance. Heavy buying of Shanks last week has taken the price to 771p after a sharp fall when the bid was referred. Both companies are continuing to participate in the commis-sion's investigation, which sion's investigation, started in February.

Mallinson-Denny once more. But profit taking left the share price 2p lower on the day at

Also on the bid front Lidstone jumped 30p to 340p after the cash offer from Greewalk nominees and speculative support provided a fillip for Furness Withy, 15p up at 371p.

recent decision to withdraw making a bid for the remainder of the capital, but the bleak outlook for Bepworth Ceramic left the shares 4p off at 105p and profit taking lowered Sotheby Parke Bernet 3p to 420p. News of a large overseas contract helped Davy Corporation advance 1p

Latest results Year's total 1.39(1.25) 13.1(10.4) 1.3(1.0) 2.4(1.8) 16.7(10.5) 1.9(1.8) 2.67(2.2)3.7(3.2) 9.0(9.3) 1.18(-)1.85(1.61) 0.25(0.20) 1.1(1.2) 0.2(0.2) -1-1 --(--) 3.30(3.85) 20.44(22.62) 5.0(2.8) 9.0(5.3) 1.2(1.0) 19.6(22.3) 2.5(-) 3.7(3.0)

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Gas, Barclays, Lasmo, BAT, Grand Met, 600 Group, GEC. House of Fraser, Imperial Group, Mallinson-Denny, Racal and BBA Group. 3.03(3.49) 0.5(0.49) 22/5 -(-) Wade Potteries (I) 5.6(4.7) 0.47(0.52) Dividends in this table are shown not of tax on pence per share. Elsewhere in Business News dividends are shown on a gross basis. To establish gross multiply the net dividend by 1.428. Profits are shown pre-tax and

2.0(2.5)

slip at Wade **Potteries** By Our Financial Staff

Profits

Shares in Wade Potteries fell A profits surge at Executex 2p to 49p yesterday on the announcement of an 11 per cent fall in profits in the six helped EIS 11p to 571p and Maple 2p to 32p. However, the

months to January 31. Profits fell from £530,000 to £470,000 on turnover up from £4.7m to £5.6m.

Part of the problem was signalled at the time of the annual statement—the move to a new factory in Scotland. The changeover led to trading losses of 130,000 more than was expected. The move is now completed and, given reasonable trading conditions, the Govancroft operation should be back into profits early in the next bid inspired House of Fraser to a 5p rise at 132p. Lourho marked time at 90p. Jobbers fully expect a bid to be made vear.

Elsewhere Mr Anthony Wade, the chairman, says the companies in the group showed substantially increased profits and capital spending is going according to plan. Demand steady in the period and this allowed the factories to work at full capacity.

However, Mr Wade says the next few months may be more

difficult as unsettled trading conditions may affect demand in the short term. At the same time margins will be pressurized by rising costs. He adds: "Whilst it would be

unwise to make a specific forecast for the balance of this financial year, looking further ahead, your group is well placed, both in plant and technical ability, to take full advantage of trading opportunities as they arise."

The interim dividend is

The interim dividend is 0.714p gross Last year's total was 2.6p giving a historic yield of 5.3 per cent. Earnings per share at the

half way stage are 3.038p com-pared with 3.493p last time. The full year total was 10.392p to give a p/e ratio of 4.7.

Firm evidence of recovery

and resumed growth is expec-ted this year by Lord Weir, chairman of Glasgow-based engineers Weir Group.

Weir saw profits fall last

year from £7.6m to £2.1m and

had to draw on its reserves to the tune of £8.4m.

has resulted in an auditors'

This states that a provision of £3.6m for closure costs and

qualification from Young McClelland

One part of Weir's problems

Arthur Moores.

By Our Financial Staff

Possible £2.3m bid for McCleery called 'inadequate'

By Pailip Robinson

Independent directors of Belfast-based carpets to ropes group McCleery L'Amie were swift yesterday to dismiss as 'inadequate" a possible £2.3m takeover bid by Lamont Holdings,the engineering and pro-

was made.

In a statement last night McCleery said the proposed offer by Lamont had been been announced despite lack of agreement between the two

ordinary shares or £2.50 cash for every £10 preference shares. McCleery's price in the stock marker last night closed Sp up at 19p, a shade higher than the cash bid price.

MDW

profits up

but earnings

M.D.W. Holdings, the building and cavil engineering cor tractor raised pressur profits h

17 per cent to 11.26m in the year to December 31 Sales in creased from £28.7m to £33.2m

nearly a quarter, to leave the year's dividend up from 4.36

At the net level, the dividen

ves covered more than fix

times by stated earnings.
The final dividend is als

payable on the 750,000 share

issued in part consideration for John Lawler, the Mancheste builder which was acquired after the year end Lawlor mad pretax, profits of £312,000 in 1979 which were not consolidated.

ted in the group results.

The shares closed 1p firms

The shares closed to firme yesterday at 52p. Ar this level, the yield is 10.3 per, cent and the p/e ratio on stated carnings is 2.6.

In February, M.D.W amanuaced the sale of a s port falio of shop and office properties in Scotland to Scotlad Metropolitan Property Co

to 5.36p gross.

The group has changed it policy on providing for defer to comply with SSAi 15. After adjusting 1978 figure accordingly, earnings per shar shows fall from 22.3p to 19.63p However, M.D.W. has it creased the finel dividend beneathy a quarter to leave the

a share fall

Sir Desmond, who is a direc tor of a dozen companies and chairman of half of them controls about 300,000 of McCleery's 12.5m issued shares, which are mainly held by private investors in Northern

Sir Desmond, who has been pulling, Lamont out of the red for the last three years, says that if the bid goes through "some rationalization may take place within the management and manufacturing activities."

He has already steered the pruning of McCleery's work-force from 1,200 to 800 and said last night that any further rationalization "would not mean any significant number of redundancies."

agreement between the two companies on appropriate terms.

Until a formal offer was made, shareholders would be advised to take no action.

Sir Desmond is offering three Lamont shares for every four McCleery ordinary shares or a cash alternative of 18p and 10 redundancies.*

What is catching his eye is McCleery's biggest asset, 20 acres of single-storey factory building outside East Belfast which has retently been revalued at £2m, giving the group fixed assets worth £5m. McCleery made a pre tax loss last year of £33,000 against a profit of £414,000.

New deal for brokers

The Export Credits Guaran tee Department and the UI Credit Insurance Brokers Com mittee have agreed on new

The deal is designed to establish good working relationships between the brokers and the ECGD. They should mean savings in brokerage paid by the ECGD.

The ECGD is thought not to be satisfied with all the service-it is now getting. The new arrangement should, on 1979 figures, cut the sum spent on brokerage from £1.7m to about El 4m a year.
The commission paid to

brokers used to be between 5 and 8 per cent of the premiums payable. Under the new deal the commissio will be as much as 10 per cent in the first year, but will have in subsequent

perty concern.

Sir Desmond Lorimer, who is chairman of both firms. amounced his intention to make an offer for McCleery yesterday afternoon. Last night a spokesman for the independent McCleery board, non-executive director Mr Douglas Owen, said the price of the intended offer was not enough and detailed reasons for their statement would be given if a formal bid

Royal resists rate cutting

terminal losses relating to OH ing we can in our use of Steel Founders and Engineers resources of all kinds."

He points out that the

business.

By Our Financial Staff Royal Insurance maintained its polic yin 1979 of resisting excessive rate curting in the face of strong and sometimes irrational competition.

Mr Daniel Meinertzhagen, the chairman, accepted that this had led to some restraint in premium growth but he

though the accountants have "no information which would lead us to disagree with the

1980 background is not likely to be favourable, with world-wide capital goods demand running at a low level and

Lord Weir admits that the

amount provided".

prices depressed.

Recovery expected at Weir

pledged the group to remaining a leading international company "by active development of business wherever we see prospects for profitable growth.

He points out that the

closure of two foundries and the valve company mark the start of the economies and

"further radical action" in peripheral activities may fol-

w to protect the mainstream

"With the vigorous action

we are taking it will not be

The chairman also welcomed the abolition of exchange con-trols which had enabled Royal to repay foreign borrowings that had been incurred for use

Kleinwort Benson

A summary of the Statement by Mr. Robert Henderson, Chairman of the parent company, KLEINWORT, BENSON, LONSDALE LIMITED, in the 1979 Report and Accounts.

In a year of unusual economic and financial instability, Group profit after tax and transfers to inner reserves, at £12,096,000, was 33 per cent up on 1978, and the highest ever achieved. The total dividend of 6.5p per share compares with 4.6p last year.

The share capital and disclosed reserves of the Group have been increased by 32 per cent, by transfers from inner reserves and deferred tax account, together with the retained profits earned in 1979, to give a figure of £110,358,000.

INTERNATIONAL AND DOMESTIC BANKING

Commercial advances increased and acceptances grew from £243 to £334 million. Substantial amounts of money were provided for ECGDbacked dollar and sterling loans in support of British exporters. Our Syndication Department has had a remarkably active year, and has introduced a number of innovative ideas for financing local authorities.

The acquisition of a 75 per cent interest in Bankhaus Martens & Weyhausen is not only an important step in the development of our German business, but also in our policy of establishing ourselves in major money markets overseas as a base for our other fee-earning activities as well as banking. The results of our subsidiaries in the Channel Islands, Switzerland, Hong Kong and Belgium were all significantly better than for the previous year. Business in the Middle East in fund management and deposit-taking has grown steadily. Our interest in the North Sea yielded significantly higher profits.

As a result of unprecedented activity in the bullion market, Sharps, Pixley Limited and

its subsidiaries in New York and Hong Kong had an outstanding year. Activity at times was hectic, and entailed the closest co-operation between bullion, money and foreign exchange dealers. The resultant contribution to the profits of our banking group was considerable. Record profits were also achieved by J. S. Knight & Son and Edward Day & Baker, processors of precious metal.

CORPORATE FINANCE

The income earned by this division was the highest yet achieved. Merger and acquisition business continued actively throughout the year, and has become increasingly international. The growth of our involvement in managing and co-managing international eurobond issues and London CD issues has been encouraging.

The division continued to develop its markets and diversify its services. Several valuable advisory assignments from British and foreign clients were obtained or extended during the vear, in a variety of fields: these included oil and gas, coal, nuclear fuel, iron and steel, cement, toll bridges and mass transit systems.

INVESTMENT

The numbers of pension funds and international accounts managed by Kleinwort Benson Investment Management Limited have increased, and our marketing effort has been strengthened. Kleinwort Benson International Investment Limited has been registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission with the specific objective of handling United States owned funds destined for international investment.

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Armitige Brothers announce that sales are ahead of last year but with the company unlikely to remain immune from recessionary forces. Chairman does not anticipate growth of sales this year will match that of last year.

Standard Chartered Bank: Shang-hai branch of the Chartered Bank, company's subsidiary, has received approval from Bank of Chica to accept foreign currency deposits in various correnctes including Hongkong dollars, sterling and US dollars, as one of only two foreign banks permitted to main-tain an office in the people's re-public of China.

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Kurick Holdings: Turnover for half year to November 30, 1979, was £825,900 against £962,500 for similar 1978 period. Pretax profit was £42,700 (£44,900). The interim dividend is 0.298p gross (0.315p gross). (0.315p gross).

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Executer Clothes: Turnover for 1979 was £1.67m against £1.2m in 1978. Pretax profit was £255,500 (£202,100). Earnlings per share were 9.06p (9.37p). Final dividend is 1.68p gross making 2.64p gross (2.29p gross).

Jersey Electricity Co: Pretax revenue for 1979 was £1.4m against £1.3m in the previous year. Final dividend is 11.4p gross (same) making 17.1p gross (same).

Dares Estates: We did not do justice to Dares Estates in our article of April 18. The group indeed made pretax profits of £604,500 last year as we reported, but extraordinary items totalled only £263,190 against profits from trading of £341,334. In 1978 extraordinary items were £125,237 against trading profits before tax of £223,226.

Land Investors: Pretax profit for half year to September 9, 1979, was £1.16m against £1.26m in same period of £978. Interim dividend is 0.28p gross (same).

Loan for Romania: The Export Credits Guarantee Department has guaranteed a £5m line of credit

Credits Guarantee Department has guaranteed a £5m line of credit which Lloyds Bank has made avail-able to the Romanian Bank for

able to the Romanian Bank for foreign trade.

G. M. Callender: Turnover for 1979 was £8.32m against £6.37 in the previous year. Earnings per share were 6.2p (3.3p). Final dividend is 1.49p gross making 2.3p gross (1.88p gross).

London Intercontinental Trust:

Board of Glasserton states that satisfactory answers to certain queries concerning LIT referred to in the announcement on April 4 have now been received and offer document will be dispatched to shareholders as soon as practic-

able. General Electric Co.: Croup's offer for Averys will close on May 5. GEC now holds over 95 per cent of Averys and intends to acquire compulsorily the outstand-

Briefly

sineration paid was 2542,100, satisfied by the payment on completion of £192,100 cash and the issue of 200,000 "A" ordinary (limited voting) shares.

voting) shares.
Duple International: Company's engineering division has sold its leasehold interest in Wheatfield Works, Oldham, to Remploy for £670,000. Book value of the premises was £539,000 at August 8, 1979. Group is negotiating to lease alternative premise in same area. Company has also sold, to Cobble Blackburn, certain assets and know-how of its twister machinery business for £50,000 Commercial Union Assurance: Chalrman said at AGM that results for first three months of year look for first three months of year look like being a little better than those of the corresponding period last

of the corresponding period last year.
Invergordon Distillers: Chairman states that in the present economic conditions it is impractical to forecast accurately any short-term results, but the Scotch whisky industry, perhaps more than any other industry, has demonstrated its capacity for continuous progress of which Invergordon expects to take its full share.

W Canning Group: In spite of the current difficulties facing the United Kingdom industry, chairman feels that group is gaining strength from its widening spread of interests and that it is able to face new year with some confidence.

Ibstock Johnsen: In his annual

review, chairman says that, over-all, and despite problems in the all, and despite problems in the short term, longer-term prospects are encouraging. In Belgium (he says) final stage of closure of the loss-making brick plant at Hennuyeres is proceeding well. This will leave the roof tile plant in that town, which board hope can achieve viability in due course and the small profitable brick plant near Dinam. The future of these two plants is also currently

these two plants is also currently under discussion. Bernard Wardle has declared a

Bernard Wardle has declared a second interim dividend of 0.87p December 2 1979. This makes a total for the year of 1.53p and compares with a total dividend for 1978 of 1.41817p.
Thomas Jourdan: "Despite the very difficult trading conditions which currently obtain throughout the world and particularly in the United Kingdom, we have made a better start in 1980 than we did a year ago. If this trend were to contigue I would expect the first half of the year to show a happy increase in comparison with the same period in 1979." Mr Archie McNair—chairman of Thomas Jourdan, in his annual statement. ing shares.

East Midland Allied Press: Company has purchased Fallord, which owns seven retail newsagent shops in the East Midlands area. Configurably placed than most of

CYCLICAL INDICATORS FOR THE UK ECONOMY

The following table is based on the CSO corporate indices of the business cycle in the United Kingdom published yesterday

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June	107.4	110.9	106.5	94.6
July	104.9	107.9	103.4	94.6
Aug	103.3	103,5	99.1	95.1
Sept	103.1	162.4	98.2	. 94.5
Oct	102.5	102.8	98.9	93.9
Nov	100.5	101.9	93.9	93.4
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our competitors. We are not only looking to expand but we are actively looking to make suitable chairman of Arihur Henriques, in his annual report.

Thomas Robinson & Son: In his annual report, the chairman, his annual report, the chairman, his annual report, tels shareholders

Henry Clayton, tells shareholders that the board is hopeful that it will be able o report a continued advance in 1980.

advance in 1980.

M. J. Gleeson (Contractors) have formed a new subsidiary company, within the Gleeson Group; to be called Gleeson (London) Limited. The directors are Messrs T. K. Sheridan, managing; K. J. Reading, dep managing; R. W. J. Radford and I. Lamont. The company will operate from the group head office, Haredon House, London Road, North Chean, Surrey, and work in London and the south east area of the country. British Quarrying and Siag Federation has published its annual report and accounts for 1979. In his statement the chairman draws attention to the damage done to his statement the chairman draws attention to the damage done to weather in the opening months of 1979 and the libancial burden this

1979 and the fihancial burden this imposed on local authorities. Richardsons, Westgarth's turnover for 1979 rose from £36.8m to £45m, on which it made a pre-tax profit of £1.36m, compared with 1978's loss of £638.000, which included an exceptional debit of £394.000. Total gross dividend raised from 3.71p to 5p. raised from 3.71p to 5p.

Sum Life Assurance is paying an interim dividend of 3.75p, which is an increase of about 15 per cent over one-half of 1979's total. Total dividend for 1981 will be "not less than 7.5p".

Provident Life Association of London: Total profit, before tax and expenses, for 1979, £1.01m (£587,000).

James Latham has bought for 179,000 cash, the trading assets and goodwill of the business carried on by Peerless and Son (Timber) of Sussex.

Richards and Wallington Indus-Richards and Wallington Industries has bought 49.9 per cent of Unit Sales (DIY) for £1.41m cash. R. and W. has an option to buy the remainder in a year's time. NCR's first-quarter revenue. in 1980 rose from \$590.45m to \$657.53m, while net income fell from \$30.06m to \$25.5m. But NCR said that 1980 will be a "satisfactory" year, with both increased revenues and earnings, despite the first quarter.—Reuter. Restobell: "Free of interference. despite the first quarter.—Reuter.
Bestobell: "Free of interference we should do well," says Mr. A. B. (Sandy) Marshall), chairman of Bestobell, in the annual report of the controls, energy, aviation and consumer product group. He reports that in a number of areas, order books stand at record levels.

prices depressed.

He comments: "In present to a better level of profitability circumstances we must clearly and to a healthier financial retrench and make every sav-**Associated Biscuit**

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tturers, which has around 22 per cent of the domestic biscuit market, has, according to Mr Gordon Palmer, chairman, set itself "some ambitious targets for 1980. The group leans less on the cuthroat United Kingdom market, with a bigger presence in North America and Europe, and a big stake in snack foods. Mr Keith Bright, chief executive, says that margins should widen this year as the consolidation plan moves towards completion. Last year, the group raised profits by more than 28 per cent to £11.59m. It

Bank Base Rates

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NANCIAL NEWS AND MARKET REPORTS

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er of 1979, the company ted. spite "significantly nar-"profits ni the mineral vision and a weakening of ess in the chemical divisoward the end of the first er, Veba said it expected generally satisfactory for 1980

International

In 1979 Veba had a group profit of DM471m, up 153 per cent from 1978.

Veba reported that first quarter group sales were up 25.6 per cent to DM10,200m. Sales were up in all sectors, owing to volume and price rises. Cost increases in the period, in cent from 1978.

NT well ahead

87 per cent jump in after-rofit to A\$27.9m, against was reported by e nine months to March oup revenue was up 28 ent at A\$584m, against

nings per share for the months were 30.6 cents t an adjusted 18.4 cents. company is to make a five rights issue to olders, optionbolders and

vertible notes to raise AS23m. The interim dividend de-clared is 3 cents a share, makas Nationwide Transport ing 9 cents for the nine months, covered 3.4 times. The directors intend the total distribution for the year to be 12 cents and expect this annual rate to be at least maintained on the increased capital.

Directors repeated their expectation of a significantly higher profit than last year for the year to June 30.

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x reported net earnings 1980," Mr Pierre Gousseland, Itel trading halted 3.3m and \$2.45 per com. the chairman said. rare for the first quarter) compared with \$76.1m .39 a share for the same

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Sales for the first quarter of Sales for the first quarter of 1980 increased to \$872m from \$63gm in the corresponding 1979 period, due mainly to higher copper, molybdenum and

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ican Hospital Supply Return on average shareholder's hieved record first quarinvestment was 16.5 per cent, the three months to 31, net sales were up 13 per cent from 1 for the first quarter of the earnings were \$30.6m, er cent from \$25.7m in 15.6 per cent for the 1979.

"We are pleased that continuing efforts to improve profit margins, including the previously announced discontinuance of our cardiac pacemaker and hospital maintenance businesses, have begun effect.

manufacturer of health care products, employing 28,500 people worldwide.

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energy particularly, have yet to be fully passed on.
Electricity sales were up only slightly on the same 1979 period in view of last year's exceptionally cold weather, it said.

Veba's long-term crude oil contract with British Petroleum, covering three million tonnes annually, continues unchanged. Agreement was reached, how ever, on a cut in additional our Chases from BP this year since Veba is able to secure supplies

Mary Kathleen

Mary Kathleen Uranium, produced 156 tonnes of uranium in the three months to March 31. the company reported in Sydney.

This was equivalent to an annual rate of 623 tonnes compared with 832 tones produced

W R Grace

W. R. Grace of New York vesterday reported first quarter net profits of \$65m, or \$1.41 a share, compared with \$57m and \$1.26 a year ago.

Sales rose to \$1,361m from

The New York Stock Exchange yesterday halted trading in all Itel Corp issues until the company mails its annual re-port for December 1979 to shareholders.

According to the NYSE, Itel said it expected the annual re-port to be available in early to mid-summer,

Asturienne

Compagnie Royale Asturienne des Mines said yesterday that 2,440m francs (Belgian) of its 1979 loss of 2,600m francs was attributable to its Spanish operations.

The company is regrouping its Spanish activities and will propose to the annual meeting exceptional provisions to cover commitments in Spain, as well as depreciation.

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Accumulated losses are now 3,560m francs.

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COFFEE.—ROBBUTAS: 15 per tonner: May. 1.679-41: July 1.675-44. Sept. 1,729-30; Nov. 1,738-40; Jan. 1,756-37; Warch. 1,576-55; May. 1,681-1,570 Sales: 2,679 lois, including 12 options. options.

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COCOA closed barrly strady (\$\frac{1}{2}\$ per mutric 1001.—May. 1.246-48: July. 1.266-67: Sept. 1.295-66. Dec. 1.346-49: March. 1.361-82: May. 1.402-10: July. 1.429-40. Sales. 5,194 lots, including five options.

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SUGAR.—The London daily price of

'raws' was 15.00 higher at 1243;
the 'whites' price was 52.00 higher

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contract (steady); May, 248.30-49.20;
Aug, 206.25-65.50; Oct, 268.00-68.21;
Sales; 5.065 lots New contract

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LME metal stocks

Stocks in London Metal Ex-Stocks in London Metal Exchange official warehouses at the
end of last week (all in tonnes,
except silver) were: Copper fell
1,800 to 120,850: Tin fell 995 in
2,260 fonnes; Lead rose 1,750 to
17,700; Zinc rose 3,200 to 55,650;
Aluminium fell 875 to 34,825;
Nickel rose 1,032 to 8,310: Silver
rose 750,000 to 18,940,000 troy
ounces.

Wall Street

New York, April 21.—Shares were mixed in moderate trading this morning as investors remained cautious about the economic outlook. Hopes for an easing of interest rates were off-set by concern that the recession

set by concern that the recession contract (speady): May, 248.30-43-20; may prove to be severe.

Aug. 250.256-50.50 cc. 658.00-682.10 may prove to be severe.

The Dow Jones Industrial Tie Dow Jones Industrial Average was up a fraction, but 252.256-50.00 cc. 270.00-71 00; Jan. 273.50-73.00; March. 282.50-83.00; declines outnumbered advances by May. 283.00-85.50. Aug. 283.00-85.00 declines outnumbered advances by a small group of issues.

April 18: daily. 22:10c: 15-day average was up a fraction, but declines outnumbered advances by a small group of issues.

Volume-leader, Firestone Tire, was unchanged at Sn2. A block white sugar was all unquoted.

SOVABEAN MEAL was quiet (2 per tonne: April. 105.50-08.00; line. 105.50-08.00; line. 105.50-07.10; doct. 104.00-07.10; doct. 104.00-07.10; doct. 104.00-03.58; Dec. 107.50-07.10; doct. 104.00-03.58; Dec. 107.50-07.10; doct. 104.00-03.58; Dec. 107.50-07.10; doct. 104.00-03.58; doct. 107.00-07.10; doct. 106.00-03.58; doct. 107.00-07.10; doct. 106.00-03.58; doct. 107.00-07.10; doct. 106.00-03.58; doct. 107.00-07.10; doct. 107.00-07

Discount market

The discount houses received large-scale help from the Bank of England yesterday. A moderate sum was lent to two or three houses overdight at MLR, while a small quantity of Treasury bills was bought from banks and discount houses.

count houses.

In quiet conditions, rates for fresh secured money held at 17 per cent for much of the session. Little progress was made during the morning, but houses were mot greatly worded at this stage 22 they were running more modest books after selling off an extremely large cuantity of ellipible bank bills on Friday on the "repurchase" basis. Once the authorities gave their assistance, the situation became easier and closing balances were eventually trken in the band of 16 to 161 per cent. The session proved less difficult than had initially been expected because a sizzable been expected because a sizzeable swing on the Treasury accounts offset Revenue receipts completely and left movements on the Exchequer in balance.

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Sterling: Other Markets

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Foreign exchange report

Sterling scored a gain of more than 2 cents at one time, rising to \$2,2410 in reflection of modest commercial buying in what dealers described as a thin market. By The close, however, the gain had been "not in 1.30 cents at \$2,2330. The "effective" exchange rate 1, x Choland.2 up at 73.2, after 73.1 at midday and 72.9 at the opening. The dollar eased against most major European currencies yesterday, largely reflecting the fall in Eurodollar rates behind United States money supply figures that suggested further cuts in prime rates may be on the way. But trading was very slow in London with many of the big hanks keeping a low profile in view of the mer sergers' strike (now settled).



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Options

Lonrho as possible replacements for British Oxygen and Boots looks likely to take longer than originally envisaged. The matter is likely to be decided before a full meeting of the Stock Exchange Committee for the first time.

The decision to introduce

options also appears to be some way off and will be held up until a new television system can be installed some time in the autumn. Business among traded options

remained at a low level yester-day with only 448 contracts in

Harry Sheron, the managing director of BL Technology, said yesterday that they were enthusiastic about the project.

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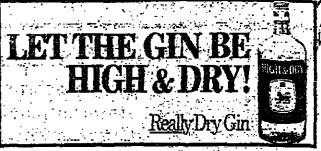
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quired among other things to satisfy themselves of the adequacy of a business's internal controls, if the auditor wishes to place reliance on them. Auditors must also obtain audit evidence which is relevant and reliable enough for reasonable conclusions to be desure. conclusions to be drawn.
The third standard, dealing with qualifications in auditors' reports, says that the audit re-port should leave the reader in no doubt as to its meaning and

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The auditor should only qualify his report if he thinks the matter materially affects the view given by the financial statement. He then has four alternations. Where the unit alternatives. Where the auditor is prevented by uncertainty

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dom Institutes of Chartered Accountants and by the Asso-ciation of Certified Accountants, come into force immediately.

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Business appointments

Rolls executive heads joint venture with Japanese

Mr Ashley Raeburn, a vice-chairman of Rolls-Royce, has been appointed the first chairman of Rolls-Royce and Japanese Aero-Engines, the company formed to develop jointly a new jet engine for future 120 to 150-seat airliners. The other directors are Mr Osamu Nagano and Mr Kaneichiro Imai of Ishikawatima-Herima Heavy nagano and Mr Kaneichiro Imai of Ishikawajima-Harima Heavy Industries, Mr Hiroharu Tsukamoto of Kawasaki Heavy Industries, Mr Kenji Ikeda of Mitsubishi Heavy Industries, Mr Kozo Hirata, managing director of the Society of Japanese Aerospace Companies, and from Rolls-Royce, Mr A D Jackson Mr S Mr.

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Mr R. T. Kanter has been made a director of Alpine Holdings and managing director of Alpine (Double-Glazing).

Mr J. D. Cormie, finance director of Reed International, has been appointed a non-executive director of Laporte Industries (Holdings).

Mr Joseph S. Gaziano and Dr Raymond L. Bisplinghoff have been appointed as additional non-executive directors of Maintead.

Mr Jack L. Wicker has been elected president of the British Chamber of Commerce France to succeed the late Mr Robin Rainham Ward. Mr D. H. Goodchild, resident partner of Clifford Turner in Paris has been elected vice-president to join Mr John Tuby, director of Isoservices, also vicedirector of Isoservices, also vice-

mr S. T. P. Branch has been appointed to the board of L. M. Fischel & Company.

Sir William Mather and Mr A. F. Masters, respectively chairman and chief executive of CompAir, have joined the board of IC Gas-Mr H. J. Bragg, managing director of the Calor Group, also becomes

director, Mr D. H. de Traiford, deputy chairman of IC Gas, Mr V. Colebrook and Mr T. M.

O'Rorke, both managing directors of IC Gas, join the board of CompAir. Lord Rupert Nevill has been appointed a director of Daily Mail and General Trust. and General Trust.

Mr Derek A. Fitzbugh has been made an executive director of Remploy. He will take over the duties of financial and planning director from Mr Charles Payne,

who is retiring. Mr G. C. Castle, formerly manager, organization planning, for Ford of Europe, has been made controller of personnel at Midland Bank International. Sir David Steel has

Sir David Steel has been appointed to the newly established International Energy Agency Coal Industry Advisory Board.

Mr Gordon A. Cumming has joined Grindlay Brandts Insurance Brokers as a director and deputy chairman of its subsidiary Grindlay Brandts Life & Pensions.

Mr H. M. Scopes has been appointed to the board of ICI Petrochemicals Division as raw materials Division as raw materials and purchasing director. Mr Barrie Heads and Mrs Joyce Wooller, join the board of Granada Television. Mr R. Ritchie has been ap-

Mr R. Ritchie has been appointed production director and Mr R. R. Pike sales director of British Polar Engines.

Mr Geoffrey Halstead, formerly deputy chairman, has become chairman of James Halstead (Holdings) in succession to Mr J. S. Leach. Mr Leach becomes deputy chairman.

Mr Peter S. Wormald has been made a director of the IDC Groun.

Mr Peter S. Wormald has been made a director of the IDC Group. Mr Michael Green has become finance director of Frank Horsell. Mr E. W. Osmond, deputy group managing director of The International Paint Company, is to be the new president of the Paintmakers Association of Great Britain.

EIS pre-tax profits up 5 pc to £1.9m

By Philip Robinson Electrical and Industrial Securities is expected to spend a further film this year on a further film this year on developing its aircraft and hydrautic valve offshoots which were big profit earners for the engineering group last year.

Those companies helped maintain pretax profits 5 per cent ahead at £1.9m on a turnover which rose 8 per cent to £23.2m

A significant contribution came from the aircraft operations of the C. F. Taylor group of companies, which the group bought in 1978, and the hydraulic valve and precision engineering subsidiary Kontak maintained its lead as the largest profit maker. largest profit maker.

It was a difficult trading year for Finch Watson, which makes machinery for the plastic footwear industry, but by the year end the subsidiary was

breaking even.
Capital spending last year reached a record £1.1m and short-term deposits were lifted to £712,000. The interest on this helped to lift earnings at the pre-tax level and with a lower tax charge, put net pro-firs 58 per cent higher at

Mr Michael Walters, chairman, said: "Below the line this is an artificial year. The dramatic increase in post-tax profits is the result of the company's policy of investment in new equipment and careful stock control, taken with the provision of the Finance Act and the deferred taxation accounting SSAP 15. We are really taking into account only the pretax rise when it comes The gross total dividend is raised 13 per cent to 5.35p with a 3.825p final.

Group ahead of forecast

London and Continental Advertising Holdings made profits of £216,000 last year, a 35 per cent improvement or the company's own profits fore-

Comparative figures for 1978 are not provided because of the change in the nature of the business. The company was formerly Associated Tea Estates

Group turnover was £910,000 and earnings per share are

0.15p.

The board have decided not to recommend a final dividend because a large portion of the profits are pre-acquisition profits. However,

Law Report April 21 1980

Maktoum v South Lodge Flats Before Judge Mervyn Davies, sit-ting as a judge of the Chancery Division

[Judgment delivered April 18] Specific performance was refused of four agreements for the
grant of long underleases of flats
for a consideration which, in addition to the rents reserved,
amounted to £1,221,100, in spite
of the fact that the purchase price
had been paid in full and possession had been given, because the
purchaser had failed to accept the
underleases offered and to execute
the counterpart underleases repurchaser and talea to accept the underleases offered and to execute the counterpart underleases required within the time specified in a notice to complete served under condition 19 of the Law Society's Conditions of Sale (1973 edition). Return of the deposit of £122,100 was, however, ordered, in exercise of the court's discretion under section 49(2) of the Law of Property Act, 1925, although on the terms of the contract a right to forfeit the deposit had arisen by reason of the purchaser's failure to complete in accordance with the notice to complete. Mr T. L. G. Cullen, QC, and Miss Hazel Williamson for the plaintiff purchaser, Sheikha Mayam Bint Al Maktoum; Mr plaintiff purchaser, Sheikha Maryam Bint Al Maktoum; Mr D. A. Wood, QC, and Mr David Neuberger for the defendant vend-ors, South Lodge Flats Ltd.

ors, South Lodge Flats Ltd.
HIS LORDSHIP said that
Sheikha Maryam sought specific
performance of four agreements of
March 16, 1977, made between
South Lodge Flats Ltd, as vendors,
Trafalgar House Development Ltd,
as head lessors, and herself, as
purchaser, in respect of four flats
in a block of flats as to which
Trafalgar House had granted
South Lodge Flats a lease for 150
years from June 24, 1976. Though
prices and rents were different in
each case, it was agreed that all each case, it was agreed that all

four agreements stood or fell It was agreed that Trafalgar House would grant Sheikha Maryam an under-lease of flat 41 for 150 years less three days, with an initial rent of £1,500 a year and with provision for rent reviews. The consideration was to include not only the water provide. include not only the rents payable but also payment of £676,500, and the agreement contemplated the execution of a counterpart underlease. The purchase price for the four flats was payable, as to £122,100 as deposit, as to £366,300 as instalments on July 25 and November 25, 1977, and as to the balance of £366,400, which included correct the data. certain legal costs, on the date fixed for completion. Interest was payable on instalments from the date fixed for payment until actual payment at 4 per cent above Barclays Bank base rate or 12 per cent whichever was the orrester. If cent, whichever was the greater. If payment was not made within 14 days the vendors could give notice requiring payment, so that clause 19 of the Law Society's Conditions of Sale should apply as if notice to complete had been served. The Although construction of the flats did not proceed as quickly as was hoped, the vendors were able to dispatch an architect's able to dispatch an architect's certificate in September, 1978, which had the effect of making October 12, 1978, the date for completion. By that date the deposit and the first two instalments, had been duly paid. After certain correspondence the balance of the purchase price was paid on November 14, 1978, on terms that it was to be held pending completion, and Sheikha Maryam's agents

On May 21 Sheikha Maryam's solicitors wrote stating that she had not decided in whose name she wanted the leases to be taken up, but agreed that the money held should be released unconditionally. On June 4 the vendors' solicitors replied insisting on completion of the leases in accordance with the contract, "the main reason being that the whole operation for South Lodge Flats Ltd as the management company is being hampered due to non-compliance of these leases." They stated that if executed counterparts were not received within seven days the vendors would have no alternative but to pursue their remedies in the courts.

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As the result of negotiations, the completion date was postponed till June 13. On June 6 the final purchase moneys were duly released, but completion did not take place on the date fixed. A telex sent the following day explained that Sheikha Maryam was in the Middle East and that contact was being sought for her confirmation that the underleases were to be in her name. However, a second Telex was sent on July 9 stating that Sheikha Maryam wanted the underleases to be in the name of a company. By that time the vendors had by that time the vendors had had enough: their solicitors wrote that, without prejudice to their other rights, they were forfeiting the deposit, and they enclosed a hanker's draft for the balance, ie, £1,098,900, and asked for the return of the abstract and the keys. Shelkha Maryam's solicitors disputed that they were entitled to act in that way, and challenged the validity of the notice to complete. In a letter of August 8 they contended that since the full purchase price had been paid and possession given, the failure to execute the counterpart underless:s within the stipulated time was not sufficiently fundamental to enable the vendors to withdraw from the agreements, and they from the agreements, and returned the banker's draft.

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The vendors did not accept that position, and so Sheikha Maryam issued her writ on August 15, seeking specific performance, or if not, a declaration that she was entitled to return of the purchase instalments totalling £1,098,900 with interest thereon, and the deposit, pursuant to section 49(2) of the Law of Property Act, 1925. The vendors disputed the claims to interest on the instalments and to return of the deposit, and counterclaimed that the agreements had been lawfully "rescinded"; meaning thereby "terminated". Evidence was given that the value of the flats in July, 1979, was some £1,505,000 and in March, 1980, some £1,480,000. It therefore seemed probable that, if not obliged to grant underleases, the vendors

received the keys and were let into possession. Although she herself had never occupied any of the flats, her agents had access at all times since then.

Sheikha Maryam, however, was not satisfied with the condition of the flats, and, as a result, completion was further held up. But by May 3, 1979, the vendors decided that all defects had been attended to and informed her solicitors that the flats, were ready for occupation. They served a notice to complete expiring on June 4, 1979, which required her "to pay the balance unconditionally and to complete the ... underlease". The money had already been paid, so effectively that meant a request that she "release" it.

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company was to be the under-lessee.

The conclusion that condition 19 had not been complied with, however, did not end the matter. Mr Culien contended that any default by the purchaser was not fundamental, and that Sheikha Maryam was entitled to specific performance. Condition 19 contained no express right for the As the result of negotiations, tained no express right for the vendor to terminate the contract. A right of resale plainly arose if the purchaser did not pay the purchase price, even if payment were only a day late. But that was not the position here. All that remained for the purchaser to do was to nominate either herto do was to nominate either herself or a company as the underlesses, to accept the underlease and hand over the counterpart. Mersey Steel & Iron Co v Naylor Benzon & Co ((1882) 9 App Cas 434), cited by Mr Cullen, showed that only a breach going to the root of the contract jusified a party not in breach in treating the contract as at an end It was goid contract as at an end. It was said that the breach was not funda-mental and that the right of resale contained in condition 19 was only intended to arise if the breach was fundamental.

His Lordship was unable to accept Mr Cullen's argument. Condition 19 did not distinguish between one form of non-compliance and another, and in the circumstances his Lordship concluded that the vendors' right of pressle under condition 18 (4) (b) resale under condition 19 (4) (b) arose when the time limit expired. Condition 19 sometimes operated harshly and in his Lord-ship's opinion it did so in the present case, but he could see no escape from the conclusion that

the purchaser had failed to comply with it, and therefore that specific performance must be refused.

His Lordship did not see how any claim to interest on the instalments of purchase price could be maintained in respect of the period during which Sheika Maryam had been in possession, ie, since November 14, 1978. On the basis of the alternative rate of 12 per cent the amount at issue was about £90,000. The agreement said nothing about interest in such circumstances, and there was no authority on the topic. Dies v British & International Mining and Finance Corresporation ([1939] I KB 724) suggested that the purchase instalments themselves were recoverable. The possibility of interest was considered in the closing sentences of that case. Mr Cullen claimed that, if it were possible, interest should be awarded since the vendors had had the benefit of the free use of the money, and if it were a case of restitution then restitution should include compensation for the use of the money.

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But the case was not one of restitutio in integrum; it was a case of an agreement providing for some of the purchase money to be paid in advance. By contract, the vendors were to have use of the money from the time of its receipt. A situation had arisen, as the vendors recognized, where through no fault of theirs it was the time that the tendors remaid. ors repre propriety just that that the money be repaid. closed—
Such fault as there was was the hose with purchaser's, and since the fault lance will lay there, it would not be right to s and not deprive the vendors of the benefit e.

of payments made in advance.

There remained the claim under There remained the claim under section 49 (2) of the Law of Property Act, which gave the court a discretion where specific performance was refused, to order "repayment of any deposit". Having referred to Schindler v Pignalt (1975) 30 P & CR 328) and Universal Corporation v Five ways Properties Ltd (1979] I All ER 552), his Lordship said that the first question was whether or not the contractual right of forfeiture conferred by condition 19 (4) (b) (i), unaccompanied by any such words as "unless the court otherwise directs", meant that the jurisdiction under section 49 (2) was excluded. His Lordship did not think it was. The words were so wide that the court could order repayment despite the fact that the contract had an express prove. repayment despite the fact that the contract had an express provi-sion which, in the events that had happened, operated to confer a right to forfeit the deposit. vestiga.

Applying therefore the words of Lord Justice Buckley in the Five ways Properties case, his Lordship thought that the fairest course in es that all the circumstances was to order

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eling about the first story in the series A Question (BBC 2, 9.00) is that it was good drama beautifully d and well acted—but perhaps it went on just a teeny ong. The new story, which begins tonight, is rather and from an earlier period, which is interesting. Set 740s, it tells the cautionary tale of Mary Blandy, plain prospects, and Captain Cranston, handsome and but impecunious. That always compelling actor lurke is among the stars.

hn Gielgud in The English Garden (ITV, 10.30) is atching, as is the final part of the Playhouse tion The Gate of Eden (ITV, 9.00). And, of course, plenty of action from the opening day of the Embassy rofessional Snooker Championship (BBC 2, 3.10,

ters are advised to try On the Square (Radjo 4, 7,20) Robert Foxcroft investigates the mysterious and v powerful brotherhood of Freemasonry.

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3.55.Play School: Today's story is Milly's Supermarket, by Carolyn Hollis.

4.20 Lassie : Troubled Waters (r).

4.40 The Perils of Penelope Pit-stop: Cartoon series (τ). 5.00 John Craven's Newsround. 5.10 Think of a Number: Johany Ball continues his fun approach to

News with Peter Woods.

aths and science. 35 Captain Pugwash: Cartoon

TELEVISION

BBC 1 6.40 am Open University: 6.40 A Conflict Brought to Light: 7.05 Entropy: 7.30 Patterning of the Vote. Close down at 7.55. 9.35 For Schools, Colleges: 9.35 Out of the Past: Bottle It 'Up; 10.00 Mcrry-go-Round: Keep Up with the Times (r): 11.00 Watch-Moses in Egypt: The Nile: 11.17 Television Club: Freshwater Shark

r). Close down at 11.40. 12.45 pm News. 5.40 News with Peter Woods.
5.55 Nationwide.
6.35 Strife with Father: Cartoon.
7.05 One More Time! The singalong show.
7.35 Life on Earth: Part 8 (of 13):
Lords of the Air. David Attenborough describes the evolution of the feather and the tremendous success of bird life.
8.30 Time of My Life: Disaster sitrom. This week Ken Archer finds himself in court.
9.00 News with Kenneth Kendall.
9.25 International Professional Boxing: John L. Gardner fights Belgian Rudi Gauwe for the European heavyweight title. Harry Carpenter is the commentator at the Royal Albert Hall. 1.00 Pebble Mill at One : Interview with Carey Scotield, author of a hook about France's late Public Enemy No 1, Jacques Mesrine. Also clockwork toys and the campaign to find more foster parents. And Dr David Delvin with Family 1.45 The Flumps : Get Your Skates

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2.00 You and Me: 1s That Me?
First of four pre-maths programmes for the four to five-yearolds looks at symmetry and reflections. Close down at 2.12. 2.32 For Schools, Colleges: Merry-go-Round: It's All Right (r). Close down at 2.40.

gence; 6.05 Reading Develop-ment; 6.30 Steel, Stars and Spec-BBC₂ 6.40 am Open University: The Roaring Silence: 7.05 The Peak Experience: 7.30 The Baubaus at Weimar. Close down at 7.55. 11.00 Play School: Same as BBC 1 at 3.55. Close down at 11.25. 3.10 pm Snooker: David Vine introduces live coverage and recorded highlights of the first day's play in the Embassy World Professional Championship. John Virgo, Patsy Fagan, Graham Miles and Alex Higgins are right on cue and Alex Higgins are right on cue. 4.50 Open University : Maths-Functions ; 5.40 Iteration and Conver-

9.30 am For Schools. 9.30 Living and Growing: Social Development (sex education series). 9.47 Seeing

and Doing: Rivers. 10.04 Reading with Lenny. 10.16 A Place to Live

(repeat of yesterday's programme). 10.35 The English Programme: Our People. 11.05 Leaping. 11.22 Good Health: The handicapped chil dia the family.

11.39 Alive and Kicking : Feelings.

12.00 Paperplay: Susan Stranks makes a treasure chest out of a cereal box and fills it with all sorts

of magic things. 12.10 pm Pipkins: Topov Asks

12.30 The Sullivans.
1.00 News.
1.20 Thames News.
1.30 Take the High Road: Will the Glendarroch estate help Ken Calder to rescue the garage?
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7.30 The Great Egg Race: Teams this week from KTM/Vickers, the Home Office Forensic Science Laboratory and Lloyds Bank, with egg racing from the London Transport Museum (appropriate) and radio Nottingham.
8.00 The Past at Work: To Make a Teacup. Authory Burton looks at the development of the pottery industry in the Midlands and goes digging for china clay in Cornwell. 4.15 Pop Gospel with Garth Hewitt, Berul Flint and Dana. 4.45 Magple with Jenny Hanley, Mick Robertson and Tommy Boyd. Mick Robertson and Tommy Boyd. 5.15 Enmerdale Farm: The Rev Donald Hinton returns, but there seems to be something different about him.

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2.25 Midweek Racing from the Epsom Spring Meeting. The races are the 2.30, 3.05 and 3.55.

3.45 Look Who's Talking: Derek Batey talks to Nicky Martyn, an entertainer rising fast who first made his name in New Faces. Frederick Jacger in Take the High Road (ITV, 1.30)

6.00 Thames News. 6.25 Help ! 6.40 Crossroads : Uncle Reg gets a shock when he sees Alison's

7.00 Nurse of the Year: Thames regional final. The top prize includes a Malaysian holiday and a place in the national final. 7.30 Charlie's Angels. 8.30 George and Mildred: George

8.25 The Philpott File : Inside a

Multinational. Start of a new series (see Personal Choice).

9.00 A Question of Gullt: The Case

9.00 A Question of Guilt: The Case of Mary Blandy, part 1 (see Personal Choice).
9.30 The Enigma Files: Tom Adams stars as Det Chief Supt Nick Lewis in the second episode of this series about the department of unsolved crimes.
10.20 Snooker: More from the Embasse chamionships

Embassy championships. 10.45 Newsnight. 11.30-12.15 am Snooker : Last look

today at the green baize in the Crucible Theatre Sheffield. But there's lots more to come.

takes his father to an old people's home (r). 9.00 Playhouse: Peter. Final part of this 1950s trilogy about adole-scence. Peter finds himself having to choose between his friendship for Mr Falconer and the demands of his girlfriend, Starring Richard Gibson as Peter and Maurice Den-ham as Falconer. 10.00 News. 10.30 The English Garden: Sir

John Gielgud moves on to the beginnings of the landscape movement which blended earden and countryside. 11.00 Winchester 73: Western

nil. of wintnester 73: western built around the famous rifle, with Tom Tryon, John Saxon and Dan Duryea. Pretty standard stuff. 12.45 Close: Dorothy Tutin reads Thomas Traherne's The Heir of Ali

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Radio 4 6.00 am News Briefing. 6.10 Farming Today. 6.30 Today. 7.00, 8.00 News. 7.30, 8.30 Headlines.

8.35 Yesterday in Parliament. 9.00 News-9.05 Tuesday Call. 10.00 News. 10.05 Medicine Now. 10.30 Daily Service.

10.45 The Children of Dynmouth 11.00 News. 11.05 Play : The Hell Pit.

10.20 Coming Alive: Omnibus film about two pioneers of the cartoon film—Winsor McCay, who produced the first completely ammated film, and Otto Messmer, creator of Felix the Cat, forerunner of so many favourite cartoon characters.

11.05 Platform One: Peter Shore, former Cabinet minister and now Shadow Foreign Secretary, gets his chance to speak up. 11.35 Wildlife. Shadow Foreign Secretary, gets his chance to speak up.
11.35 News headlines.
11.37 Family History: Last of five films in which Gordon Honeycombe searches for his ancestors and gives hints to people who have ambitions in the same direction. 12.00 News. 12.02 pm You and Yours. 12.20 Down Your Way. 12.55 Weather. 1.00 The World at One.

1.40 The Archers. 2.02 Woman's Hour. 3.00 News. 3.02 Listen With Mother.

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11.30 Today in Parliament.
12.00 News. 12.15 am-12.23 Weather.

VHF 6.50 am Regional news, weather. 7.50 Regional news, weather. 10.05-10.30 Schools: Teachers' 10.45-12.00 Schools: Capricorn Club; Let's Move!; Music Club; Music Club Intermezzo. 12.00 pm-3.00 Schools: History— Not So Long Ago; Days That Made History; Stories and Rhymes.

5.50 Retional news, wather.

11.00 Study on 4: Teaching English as a Second Language (4). 11.30-12.10 am Open University: Piero della Francesca; Scribb,e, Scribble, Scribbie, Mr Gibbon.

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Radio 3 6.55 am (mw only) Weather. 7.00 News. 7.05 Records : Senfl, Rinck, Haydn (Sym 56).† 8.00 News.

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10.40 Quartet (Lindsay), pt 1: Beethoven (op 95), Maconthy (no 12—1st perf).† 11.20 Interval reading. 11.25 Lindsay Quarter, pt 2: Boro-din.†

12.00 RLPO/Weller, pt 1: Beeth-oven, Tchaikovsky (Vin Concoven, Tcha Accardo).† 1.00 pm News. 1.05 Six Continents: world news.

1.25 RLPO, pt 2: Brahms (Sym 2).† 2.10 York Early Music Festival 1979: Lassus, Gabrieli.† 3.45 Records: Ferguson, Mozart (K407—with D. Brain).† 4.25 Jazz Today.† 4.55 News.

5.00 (mw and mono only from 6.20) Music for early evening.† 7.00 BBC Northern SO/Downes, pt 1: Goehr, Walton (Cello Conc).† 8.00 Virgil's Eclogues: 3 and 4. 8.15 BBCNSO, pt 2: Prokofiev 9.00 Talk (A. S. Byatt): Willa

9.45 Piano: Busoni.† 10.45 Music in Our Time: Landon Jazz Composers' Orchestra/Guy.† 11.55-12.00 News.

6.00 am-7.00 Open University : Kibbutz Schools; Comparing Media; Meaning to Model. 6.20 pm-7.00 Open University: Concepts of Childhood; Maths— Null Sets.

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5.00 am News, weather. 5.03 Ray
Moore; 7.32 Terry Wogan.; 10.03
Jimmy Young. 12.03 pm David
Hamilton.; 2.03 Ed Stewart. 4.03
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8.02 Hubert Gregg. 9.00 International Boxing. 10.30 The American Way of Laughs (2). 11.30
Brian Matthew. 2.02-5.00 am You
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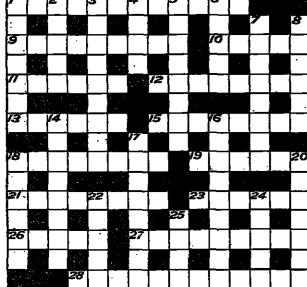
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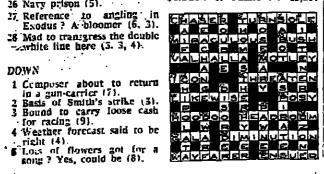
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